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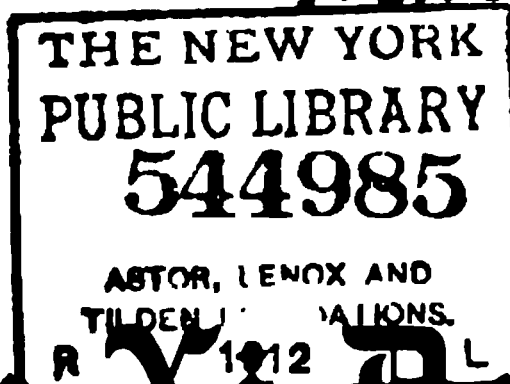
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MU CHAPTER

AT THE

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

MAY TWENTY-FOURTH, NINETEEN HUNDRED AND SEVEN

AND

NU CHAPTER

AT THE

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

MAY THIRTY-FIRST, NINETEEN HUNDRED AND SEVEN



THE CONVENTION

Alpha Xi Delta's fourth biennial convention has come and gone. Those of us who were so fortunate as to be there have inspiration for many a day to come, and our only regret is that every Alpha sister could not have been with us in Morgantown for those three glad days, October 31, November 1 and 2.

We had expected cordial sisterly greetings from our hostesses, Delta and Iota chapters, but we were delightfully and genuinely surprised by the atmosphere of welcome which pervaded the entire university and city. Not to mention words of greeting upon banners in the store windows, nor the Morgantown daily paper which made the whole city ours in its headline, "Whose are We? Alpha Xi," we remember especially the kindly welcome extended to us at our first business session by the president of Iota chapter, by Dr. Purinton, the president of the University of West Virginia, and by Mr. Lucas, the Mayor of Morgantown. Dr. Purinton has made a special study of American College Fraternities, and he expressed to us his approval and appreciation of them, together with that of most other college presidents who are in touch with actual fraternity life.

Dr. Purinton's appreciation of our sorority was shown more particularly by the opening of his spacious house on the evening of this first day of the convention for a Pan Hellenic reception given in honor of Alpha Xi Delta. The entire house was beautifully decorated and the arrangement of the gold and double blue in the assembly room on the third floor of the house was especially attractive. Members of the faculty, and of the fraternities, and other sororities of the college were present, and all joined in extending to Alpha Xi Delta a true Southern welcome. One is seldom privileged to attend a reception where such genuine cordiality pervades the entire company.

Friday and Saturday of convention week we gave our time mostly to fraternity business. These sessions were of course the really essential and important part of our meeting together,

but with them the chapter delegates will make every Alpha Xi Delta familiar. Here we must speak rather of other enjoyments that crowded these busy days.

Friday afternoon, after adjournment, the delegates visited in a body the Woman's Hall, the university campus, and several of the fraternity houses. A true "Pan Hellenic" spirit welcomed the Alpha Xi Deltas into the several chapter houses, in each of which songs and yells were heartily given by hosts and guests alike. Early Friday evening at the new Kappa Alpha house, which had been given over to the use of Alpha Xi for the entire week by its prospective occupants, Iota Chapter exemplified in an impressive manner our present ritual. After this, all Alphas hastened to the Hotel Madera where was held the convention banquet.

Following the elaborate repast which had been there prepared for us, Sister Bertha Jane Smith of Iota chapter, as toast mistress, took charge of the following programme:

SYMPOSIA

SYMPOSIARCH, BERTHA JANE SMITH, *Iota*
 "Our thoughts are linked by many a hidden chain;
 Awake but one and lo! what myriads rise."

ALPHA XI DELTA FOUNDERS, HELEN MARSHALL, *Delta*
 "Moved by thy impulse, we shall feel
 New longings for thy high ideal."

ALPHA BUILDERS, MILDRED BRADY, *Beta*
 "Build to day then, strong and sure,
 With a firm and ample base."

THE FUTURE, CLARA HILL DORNBLASER, *Zeta*
 "Everywhere a voice of prophecy upon the breeze."

THE TRI-COLORED STANDARD, LOUISE ERB, *Theta*
 "In this fair field their standard proud display."

ALUMNÆ, ELSIE JONES, *Alliance Alumnæ*
 "When I fan the living embers
 On the hearthstone of my heart."

ALPHA XI DELTA—Where is it? What is it?
 Why is it? MARY E. SHIELY, *Mu*
 "Live pure, speak truth, right wrong,
 Else wherefore born."

INITIATIONS, MYRTLE COKER, *Kappa*

"No proposition Euclid wrote,
No formulæ the text books know."

THE MYSTERY REVEALED, DAISY BARTLETT, *Boston Alumnæ*

"What I can ne'er express
Yet cannot all conceal."

OUR GIRLS, . . . MRS. J. W. LEONARD, *Iota Patroness*

"The love that follows us is oftentimes our trouble."

NEW ACQUISITIONS, . . . LORENA GRANGE, *Epsilon*

"The rosebud is in this more interesting than the rose:
Its greatest possibilities are yet to be discovered."

Saturday afternoon, following the adjournment of the final session of the convention, Mrs. J. H. Cox entertained at an informal tea, given in Alpha Xi Delta's honor to the sororities of the university. From five till eight the same evening, the Alpha girls enjoyed a dinner dance, given for them by several of the fraternities. Then immediately following this, the last entertainment of the week was a reception at the beautiful home of Dean Hogg, given by Mrs. Hogg, Mrs. Atkeson, and Mrs. Leonard, all patronesses of Iota chapter. This proved to be in many ways "the best of the wine," for we had just ourselves here, and we had by this time found that the girls from every chapter had the same ideals and the same sweet spirit as the girls in our own chapter homes. As we stood together, and sang again for the last time some of our own songs, each of us felt with our loved founder, Frances Cheney, that verily

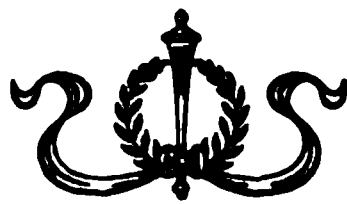
"Strong are the ties that bind us."

It was hard indeed to say good night for the last time, and realize that our convention was done. But we felt we had had together a high privilege, and that our duty was to turn homeward and share as best we might our own uplift with the faithful and devoted Alphas in each chapter.

A word more is needed to express appreciation of our hostesses. Other friends welcomed us with flowers, and songs, and words, and kept our committee on courtesies the busiest committee of the convention. But we all understand that it was the girls of Delta and Iota chapters who had been for months

planning and thinking so carefully for us that our comfort while with them was perfect. They seemed to have thought of everything,—flowers and decorations, orchestras, luncheons, favors, and every imaginable courtesy at every possible time. Best of all, Iota's girls had so been true to our high principles and ideals that we heard for them only words of commendation. We appreciate fully that the cordial welcome extended to the visiting Alphas would have been impossible unless Iota had already won for Alpha Xi Delta a large place in the respect of the college world in Morgantown. Delta and Iota were, in short, ideal hostesses, and the Sorority as a whole is deeply indebted to them for their splendid entertainment of the 1907 convention.

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Myrtle Jones



Vin Hitchings



Mina Schertzel



Laura Benz



Mary Shiely

CHARTER MEMBERS OF MU CHAPTER



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INSTALLATION OF MU CHAPTER AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

It is always a pleasure to be the bearer of good news even though the message be so unusually pleasing that an ordinary vocabulary falls short of an accurate and true description. Those who saw the excellent printed petition presented by the Lambda Beta society of the University of Minnesota some time ago will not be surprised when we say that our new Mu chapter is one of the strongest ever placed by Alpha Xi Delta, and that a most important addition has been made to her chapter roll.

On the morning of May twenty-fourth the Grand President accompanied by the Grand Secretary reached Minneapolis where a number of the Alphas-elect were gathered at the depot to greet the travelers. That afternoon at the home of Mary Helson, '07, the initiation took place, and nineteen splendid girls joined the wearers of the quill. Just at the conclusion of the ceremony a box of pink carnations came from Alpha Phi and a note of congratulation from Pi Beta Phi. Needless to say, these greetings from sister sororities were most gratifying to the girls.

That evening an elaborate banquet was held at the Donaldson Tea Rooms. One of the smaller private dining rooms was used and the twenty-one guests were seated at a large circular table. The decorations of the room and table were so beautiful that they deserve more than passing mention. In the center of the table was an immense bouquet of Alpha roses, while at each plate white and pink roses, the gift of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, were placed in addition to a pink candle. Across one side of the room a white lattice work had been constructed over which pink roses had been placed, and above the chandelier suspended over the table was a large canopy almost covered with pink roses.

The menu follows :

Potage aux Tomates, Crème Fouetée		
Batons Salés	Celerie	Radis
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Filet de Boeuf aux Champignons		
Boulettes de Pomme de Terre		
Sorbet à l'ananas		Tomate à l'esperges
Olives		Petits Pains
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Salade de Fruit		
Sandwiches de pain aux noix		
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Crème glaceè aux fraises		
Petits gateaux		
Cafe Noir		Petits Biscuits

At the conclusion of this part of the banquet, Mary Shiely as toast-mistress called for the following toasts:

Mu,		Myrtle Jones
Roasted Lambs,		Olga Halvorson
Alpha Xi Delta,		Clara L. Beck
Impromptus,		Mrs. Leib and Mary Kay

The following afternoon and evening Helen Spink entertained the girls and some university men at her beautiful summer home at White Bear Lake, where boating and a delightful picnic supper made the situation complete.

The next day two business sessions were held, the university visited and a lengthy automobile trip made through the two cities. In the evening a reception at the home of Mrs. Pollock, one of Mu's patronesses, gave the visitors an opportunity of meeting a number of the university and city friends of the girls. A musical program was rendered during the evening.

This chapter is made up of earnest, attractive young women who understand and are fully capable of successfully conducting the work of a national sorority. A house has been leased and the girls are beginning the history of Mu under the most auspicious conditions. They meet as rivals strong chapters of Kappa Kappa Gamma, Delta Gamma, Kappa Alpha Theta, Alpha Phi, Pi Beta Phi, and Delta Delta Delta, but of these Delta Gamma is the only sorority occupying a chapter house.

Given a beautiful and well-equipped university, a strong and enthusiastic chapter, and the conclusion must be—success.

THE GULF OF MEXICO

DAY

Uneasy, restless, hurrying toward the shore
The long monotony rolls, wave on wave,
And, forward, onward sweeping, seems to crave
Release from winds that scourge and evermore
Compel it, breathless, up the yellow floor
Encircling wide the gulf. Yet birds may brave
In mocking sport its angry spray, and lave
Within the waters that, impotent, roar.

'Tis like the striving of a living soul
That seeks a cherished end, but in its quest
Is thwarted wheresoe'er it turn. The sway
Of forces far beyond its weak control
Now urge it on, now drive it back: no rest
The unseen power will grant—it must obey.

NIGHT

The gulf is calm; no more, unceasingly
It moans; the wave no longer dashes white
Upon the sand, for now the peace of night
Comes down to spread her wings o'er all the sea.
The air with gentle breath makes stir and flee,
Before its touch, a host of ripples light.
No bird's a-wing. The moon rides high, and bright
Her quiv'ring lance of gold sends, far and free.

The moon, the night, the calm, untroubled wave
Serene and quiet after storm of day,
Are as the presence of a noble mind
That, having toiled in vain, could still out-brave
All petty, nagging cares, and from the fray
Come forth, unharmed, at peace with all mankind.

Marion E. Ryan, Theta, '06

THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

The University of Washington was founded in the year 1862. It was located on a piece of land ten acres in area, which now is in the heart of Seattle, and could boast of but one building, excepting the president's cottage and two inferior dormitories. For several years the work of the University did not rank much above that of an academy. The first class to be graduated consisted of one young lady. During the later years of the territorial period of the State of Washington and the first years of her statehood, the old quarters of the University became very crowded. In 1893 the State legislature provided a new site and sufficient money to build structures of permanent character and adequate to the needs of a growing institution. On September 4, 1895, the University was opened in the new buildings and since then its progress has kept pace with the rapid development of the common-wealth.

The new grounds contain three hundred and fifty-five acres, all within the city limits of Seattle, having a shore line of over one mile on Lake Washington and about a quarter of a mile on Lake Union. A large part of these grounds is still very nearly in its native state and the paths and roads winding about in these woods are very beautiful. Standing on the University campus one may see the Olympic Mountains, rising to the left, the Cascade Range on the east, with Mt. Rainier, 15,000 feet in height, to the south and Mt. Baker to the north. All before one is a beautiful panorama of mountains, lakes and forests.

The buildings are arranged on an ellipse whose major axis is 1,200 feet and whose minor axis is 650 feet long. There are eight buildings—the Administration building, Science hall, containing the State museum, an observatory, assay shop, gymnasium, two dormitories and a chemistry building.

The faculty numbers eighty-two members, representing the College of Liberal Arts, College of Engineering, School of Mines, School of Pharmacy and the School of Law. These depart-

ments confer the degrees of A. M., A. B., C. E., E. E., M. E., LL. B., Ph. G., and Normal. This year 1,197 students are enrolled.

In 1909, the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition will be held here. Part of the University grounds will be used as a site for the Exposition. When the fair was first discussed, the Board of Regents offered this site, with the provision that all of the buildings and improvements to be put here should be made permanent. The site was accepted under those conditions, and at the close of the Exposition all of the buildings will belong to the University, to be used by them. At the last State legislature \$1,000,000 was appropriated for permanent buildings and improvements.

This is a new country, a new city, and a new University. The increase in the population of this State has been marvelous during the last few years, and the University, as all other institutions, has been taxed to its utmost to keep pace with this increase. A firm foundation has been laid for a great college. With the added facilities which the University is so soon to acquire, all loyal Washingtonians feel certain that she will soon be *the* great University of the Northwest.

Olive Mueller



HAZING AS THE "CO-EDS" SEE IT

"Come, wake up, they're hazing," is an accustomed midnight greeting at the dormitory. A scampering of bare feet is heard, there is a wild rush to the closet, a hurried grab for wraps, a stubbed toe, a stifled groan, a suppressed giggle, and an informal bolt to the front windows. There, a shivering mass of eager bodies is already assembled, some piled in drifts on a peaked radiator, several standing on one foot on a single delicate chair, others trying to keep their balance on the tops and sides of neighboring desks, bureaus, or tea tables. Through the windows which are pushed up to the highest extent, there project wooly masses of black heads, tow heads, fuzzy heads, and red heads.

The innocent voice of an unsophisticated freshman, asking what it all means, is heard amidst the sound of falling ink-bottles, broken mirrors, or, worse than all, the crumpling and tearing of a prolix theme, on which many a weary hour has been spent. Someone falls occasionally from her lofty pinnacle, a unanimous "Sh!" follows, loud enough to stir the entombed. This is accompanied by general smothered groans and snickerings.

Outside, there are riotous harangues loud enough to overwhelm all commotions overhead. The loud tooting of an automobile horn is heard, and by the combined aid of the headlight of that vehicle, and an electric light, hundreds of black figures can be discerned, moving around in a wiggling, howling mass.

"Number four and six come forward," the ponderous voice of a dominating sophomore is saying.

"Aye, aye, sir," respond the quivering freshmen.

A boxing match ensues between the blindfolded combatants who from time to time are chastized for lassitude. A square-shouldered sport, dressed in female attire, is delivering a heated discourse on coeducation, until his tongue ties itself up in a hard knot, and he is whacked with barrel-staves, and compelled to do something of a more strenuous nature.

A general sing ensues, including solos and duets. Such dis-

heartening, doleful tones float upward as would cause a Beethoven to die of brain-fever.

"Don't shake so, Bess, you'll discombobulate the whole phalanx," one fair coed will whisper to her neighbor, who is almost swallowing her handkerchief in her endeavors to suppress hearty laughter.

"What did you come to college for?" demands the big sophomore below, "to benefit yourself or the college?"

"Myself," responded a quivering freshman.

"You selfish, narrow-headed idiot. Get down there and scramble like an egg."

"What did you come to college for?" is put to a second victim.

Fearing similar treatment, he replies, "To benefit the college."

"Stuck up dandy, get up on the top of that post, quick, hang by your heels, and bark like a tree."

"Aye, aye, sir, I will," is the response, which is almost drowned by a whacking and banging sound.

Meanwhile, on the lawn, accompanied by the whistling of "Yankee Doodle," there is a skirt dance, which displays a voluminous array of imaginary petticoats and ruffles. The sound of splashing waters can almost be heard as the freshmen stomach the waves of an angry sea. In the dusty road, others, with hands tied behind their backs, wind their way along like lanky snakes after a sought for toad.

But alas for the assembled spectators overhead! Their stage-whispers and muffled giggles reach the ears of those outside. Forthwith, declarations of love are made in Romeo-Juliet style, to the fair damsels. Suddenly the search-light on the automobile is jerked upward toward the "dorm" windows. The testudo of bushy heads disappears in riotous disorder, 'midst dreadful squeelings and wailings, as though some disgraceful gun-powder plot had been laid bare.

The remainder of the performance is witnessed through cracks in the curtains, from behind screens and sashes, until the last strains of "Merrily we bowl along" disappear down the "row," and the riotous band adjourns to find someone else to entertain or annoy.

Elsie M. Chandler, Lambda

KAPPA ALPHA THETA

Kappa Alpha Theta was the first society of women founded under a Greek name and which had principles and methods like those of the Greek-letter fraternities. Although Pi Beta Phi was really founded in 1867 it did not become a college sorority with a Greek name until 1888. Kappa Alpha Theta was organized in 1870 at De Pauw University in Indiana.

Until 1883 the government of Kappa Alpha Theta was in the hands of the Alpha chapter, but at that time it was vested in a grand chapter composed of one member from each college chapter, with Alpha as the permanent head of the order. In 1891 the legislative and judicial powers were vested in the biennial convention; and the Grand Council, composed of the officers of the convention, administers the affairs of the fraternity until the next convention assembles. In 1893 the fraternity was divided into districts, and certain powers of legislation were granted to each one.

The magazine is the "Kappa Alpha Theta" which is published quarterly. Five times the fraternity has published a catalogue under the editorship of different chapters. A song-book has been published in 1884, 1890 and 1902.

The badge is of gold and is kite-shaped. On a background of black is a chevron of white on which are displayed the Greek letters K A Θ. Above the letters are two diamond stars and below are the letters "a w o." The colors are black and gold, and the flower, the black-and-gold pansy.

In 1905 there were ninety-three members of Phi Beta Kappa in the fraternity and six hundred and twenty following professions.

Following is a list of the chapters:

ALPHA DISTRICT.

Iota—Cornell University.

Lambda—University of Vermont.

Sigma—Toronto University.

Chi—Syracuse University.

Alpha Beta—Swarthmore College.
Alpha Delta—Woman's College of Baltimore.
Alpha Epsilon—Brown University.
Alpha Zeta—Barnard College.
Alpha Kappa—Adelphi, Brooklyn.
Gamma Alumnæ—New York.
Eta Alumnæ—Burlington, Vt.
Nu Alumnæ—Syracuse, N. Y.

BETA DISTRICT.

Alpha—De Pauw University.
Beta—Indiana State University.
Gamma—Butler College.
Epsilon—Wooster University.
Eta—University of Michigan.
Mu—Allegheny College.
Pi—Albion College.
Alpha Gamma—Ohio State University.
Alpha Eta—Vanderbilt University.
Alpha Alumnæ—Greencastle, Ind.
Epsilon Alumnæ—Columbus, Ohio.
Zeta Alumnæ—Indianapolis, Ind.
Mu Alumnæ—Cleveland, Ohio.
Kappa Alumnæ—Pittsburg, Pa.
Lambda Alumnæ—Athens, Ohio.

DELTA DISTRICT.

Delta—University of Illinois.
Kappa—University of Kansas.
Rho—University of Nebraska.
Tau—Northwestern University.
Upsilon—University of Minnesota.
Psi—University of Wisconsin.
Alpha Theta—University of Texas.
Alpha Iota—Washington University.
Beta Alumnæ—Minneapolis, Minn.
Delta Alumnæ—Chicago, Ill.
Xi Alumnæ—Kansas City, Mo.

GAMMA DISTRICT.

Phi—Stanford University.
Omega—University of California.
Iota Alumnæ—Los Angeles, Calif.

THE INSTALLATION OF NU CHAPTER

Chapter Nu, installed at Washington University, Friday, May 31st, is the first chapter of Alpha Xi Delta to be located on the Pacific Coast. With its promising future, no better field in which to branch out could have been chosen by our sorority. The University of Washington has long since "made good" as a university, and as a representative chapter of Alpha Xi Delta Nu will do likewise.

Previous to the installation, Nu was known as the Sigma Alpha Sigma Society, having existed since 1905 with the intention of applying for a national charter. Application was made to Alpha Xi Delta in the form of a most admirable and highly satisfactory petition submitted in the spring of this year, followed by the personal recommendation of Bessie Underwood, Theta, a senior in the University. It is not an exaggeration to say that Sigma Alpha Sigma more than stood the test of these recommendations, for Nu Chapter is made up of young women having an unusually high standard of scholarship and character. Very enthusiastic and congenial to a marked degree, they promise to be a splendid chapter.

Three of the Installation Committee—Louise Singer-Maiken, Beta, of Spokane, Mabel Spry, Beta, of Seattle, and Bessie Underwood, Theta, of the University, met in Seattle, Thursday P. M., May 30th. A sudden illness having interfered with the arrival of Maud Maiken, Beta, of Los Angeles, plans were rearranged and completed.

Nothing was left undone on the part of Nu to make the installation a success socially. Beginning with a dinner by Miss Pearl Gilkey on Thursday, plans for a delightful "round of festivities" were unfolded. The same evening Mrs. Thomas Burke gave an informal reception at her lovely home to the prospective Alphas, their patronesses and visitors. Prior to the installation Friday, Miss Magdalene Willimann entertained at luncheon. An artistic and appropriate scheme for the decorations was furnished by combining the "Madame Alfred Carrier" rose of Sigma Alpha Sigma and the Pink rose of Alpha Xi Delta.



Hazel Estes



Lillian Esary



Elsie Waddingham



Pearl Gilkey



Ava Young

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Ethel Latham



Mary Smith



May Chambers



Frances Sanborn



Magdalene Willmann

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Olive Mueller



Marion Schneider



Myrtle Parr



Margaret Harris



Lila Parker

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At the beautiful home of Mrs. A. S. Kerry on Highland drive, fifteen earnest young women were initiated into the mysteries of Alpha Xi Delta. At the conclusion of the long ceremony Mrs. Kerry, assisted by Mrs. Burke, served refreshments. An elaborate banquet at the Savoy Hotel followed by an excellent toast program concluded a memorable day.

The greater part of Saturday was taken up with the celebration of two events of more than common interest to the students of Washington University and Seattle in general. In the morning occurred the annual regatta between Washington University and Leland Stanford, resulting in a victory for Washington. Saturday afternoon the exercises attending the formal "ground breaking" for the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition were held on the University grounds. The noted speaker of the day was the Honorable John Barret of Washington, D. C., Director of the Bureau of American Republics.

Following a dinner at the home of Olive Mueller, Alpha affairs were again taken up Saturday evening, in the form of a lengthy business meeting.

Monday A. M., Honorable J. Barret addressed the students of the University at their assembly meeting, and to those present it was gratifying to hear a most favorable opinion of Washington University and its future. The same morning the visitors were escorted over the grounds. As these grounds cover more than three hundred acres, for the most part a wonderful forest on Lake Washington, it was impossible to follow more than a few of the beautiful paths leading in all directions.

Chapter Nu is especially favored in having as patronesses Mrs. Thomas Burke, Mrs. A. S. Kerry and the following wives of faculty members: Mrs. Edmund S. Meany, Mrs. F. W. Meisnest and Mrs. Wm. Savery.

At the conclusion of a short business meeting Monday afternoon at the home of Myrtle Parr, Nu became a full-fledged chapter of Alpha Xi Delta with the following members: Magdalene Willimann, Marion Schneider, Pearl Gilkey, Elsie Waddingham, Myrtle Parr, Frances Sanborn, May Chambers, Lela Parker, Mary Smith, Olive Mueller, Lillian Esary, Margaret Harris, Ava Young, Hazel Estes and Ethel Latham.

Louise Singer-Maiken, Beta

A MONOLOGUE FROM LOMBARD

Heavens and Earth! Here it is ten minutes till eight and I'm not dressed yet. I haven't even got my shoes laced! I didn't know it was that late. O, there goes that shoe lace! Gee, but I'd like to swear. Throw me one out of the corner of that drawer, quick.—No, the dresser drawer. Here I'll get it myself. Well, I cant stop to lace these things. Do you suppose anyone will notice if I just tie the strings around my ankle? It's a good thing I washed my neck last night. Where is that comb? I cant find it, guess I'll use yours. I cant do a thing with my hair this morning. I'll bet I never wash it again for a year. That's it, I've knocked all my hairpins off on the floor. Goodness, I meant to read over the rest of that German before I went to class. Well, if it don't beat everything how my hair looks. I'll have to skip chapel; I can't face everybody looking like this. Where in creation's that white waist of mine? I know I hung it right up here. Well of all things, it's down on the closet floor. There goes the first bell! Ach Himmel! I've got this thing hooked wrong, come help me for goodness sake. You don't need to hook all the hooks, I'll wear my jacket during class. Hand me my skirt. There's a hook fastened in my hair! Just look at my hair! I'll be disgraced for life if I go over there looking like this. Say, you hunt for my German book, wont you? I'll bet I haven't got a clean handkerchief. It's a little green book. No, not that. Thank Heavens, here's my note-book. That book right under the red one. Now where on earth's my jacket? I can't stop for rubbers If I catch my death of cold. Look at my hair! Hand me that book quick. I'll drop half these things before I get over there. O, say, has the last bell rung yet? Maybe I'll make it if I run. Good bye.

M. I. H.

RUSHING SONG

Air—"A Son of a Gondolier"

Come join your hearts and hands with us,
And sing our merry song
Of all the jolly Alpha girls
And love that keeps them strong.
We're loyal to old "Charlie's Light"
To our gold and double blue,
If you want the best that Tufts can give
'Twill be our friendship true.

CHORUS:—We're just one link in a chain of love
That goes from sea to sea,
An Alpha has a thousand friends
Throughout this wide countree.
Our rose it is a talisman
Our quill a golden key
And to our loyal sisterhood
Gives "open sesame."

For we're friends today and friends for aye,
We're staunch through smiles and tears,
We're friends to you; we're friends most true
Throughout the coming years.
Alpha is first of our royal three—
Then here's your health with Xi
And Delta crowns that trio fair
Our own Sorority.

Amy Viola Richards, Lambda

THE RELATIVE EFFICIENCY OF BENEFACTIONS IN LARGE AND SMALL COLLEGES

By President ALMON GUNNISON of St. Lawrence University
in the *New York Evening Post*.

Shall the rich man give to great colleges or to small ones? The answer I would give is emphatically "To the smaller colleges."

The great universities are aiming to work for specialists. Their ambition is to do post-graduate work; and it used to be said of one of our highest institutions that the professors regarded the entrance of students as an intrusion, an interruption of what they were pleased to call their "original researches." They have teachers of renown, costly equipment—they are impatient of undergraduate work—and they consequently serve the few rather than the many; exceptional rather than common men. This is university work. It is incomparable; but it is costly, and the machinery of production should be furnished, and will be, by the few who are charmed with the exceptional products. There will be someone who will give the twenty-thousand-dollar machine which is in one of our Eastern universities, for some intricate work of only experimental value; someone will surely provide for the professorship at one of the salt-water colleges, which the first year had one student, and the next none! But this is not the wisest use of the wealth of a practical man who wishes to invest his money where it will serve the good and the needs of the greatest number.

EVERY DAY COUNCIL

Only a girl—with a quill she came,
What shall she do with it, I pray?
Inscribe *her* name in the niche of fame,
Dipped in the gold of the sunset's ray?
Nay, not alone for *her* use was it meant,
This quill with its meaning true,
It was for a nobler purpose sent,—
To uphold the ideals of the gold and blue.

Frances M. Sanborn, Nu

CONSERVATISM

It is a temptation to a young sorority as to a young nation in international affairs to thrust itself on public notice. This is an inclination against which we must carefully guard, as very detrimental to the success and reputation of our sorority. Our symbols should be something too sacred to be associated with anything common. Dignity is hard to combine with youth and enthusiasm and yet it is one of our greatest needs.

It is thoughtlessness and carelessness which causes us sometimes to let slip from the tip of our pencils the letters A Σ Δ upon desk or book and when we think seriously we realize that we do not wish people to get their impression from us in this way. We want them to know there is an Alpha Xi Delta but from our dignity rather than from our publicity.

Then too we should have due consideration for the non-fraternity people, realizing that they miss a great many things that we have. Let us be true sorority girls, loyal in every way but at the same time democratic and cosmopolitan.

We need for our own sake as well as for the sake of right to be friendly with those outside our numbers, and to do this we must not be exclusive in our friendships nor obtrusive with our

sorority affairs. These are out of place when not kept within our own circle. Our sorority is one of the youngest and we believe one of the best, and it should be our pride to help it grow in honor as well as size.

Amy Cheney, Beta

INDIVIDUAL DUTY TO THE SORORITY

Human nature is very complex and no two people are alike; but in compensation for this, as it seems, nature has so constructed us that the qualities and characteristics of one fit in where those of another fail, and together they make the perfect whole. But in the accomplishment of this each one must do the part given to her. In our sorority life each girl must cultivate the quality of being able to be depended upon, and must answer up with her little part when called upon.

For we get so much from Alpha Xi Delta that we should be willing to give to her our best. The very name she gives us is an honor; for the sorority girls are girls picked from the highest centers of culture in our country—our colleges. We have at once the distinction of belonging to a band of cultivated women, known to have high educational ideals, and we have the social position won for us by previous generations of Greeks, in the founding of sorority life.

So we have a responsibility, and should be anxious to give to our beloved sorority the best that we have in us. If one girl does not fulfill her small part her chapter fails in that much; and if her chapter falls short that much, the whole sorority, which embraces the chapter, falls short that much. It is reliability and "dependableness," as one girl expressed it, which will help our sorority to maintain her high standard.

Marie Riker, Gamma

SOME BENEFITS OF SORORITY LIFE

The benefit of sorority life which perhaps lies nearest to our hearts is the strong bond of friendship formed with our sorority sisters. After we leave college we never experience the same intimate relations with friends as those we have known in our

school days. In the sorority all of the girls have almost the same interests and ideals and this is found nowhere else to so great a degree. Our friends here have a great influence in moulding our characters for life. The younger members, deprived of home influences, are helped by feeling free to consult with their older and wiser sisters.

Another benefit is the stimulus to do better work in the classroom and to strive for college honors which are often prized more for the sorority's sake than for our own.

Not the least of benefits which should be received in college life is that of true social polish. This trade-mark of genuine culture can be obtained in a great measure from sorority association.

These are only brief suggestions of the many, many advantages of our life as sorority sisters.

Lucille Brady, Beta

ANNOUNCEMENT

Alpha Chi Omega announces the establishment of Mu Chapter at Simpson College, Iowa, May thirty-first, nineteen hundred and seven, and of Nu Chapter at the University of Colorado, September six, nineteen hundred and seven.

EDITORIALS

The resignation of Bertha G. Cleveland from the position of editor-in-chief of the ALPHA XI DELTA is to our entire sorority a deep loss, of which no one is more conscious than her successor. Her devotion has been untiring, and her ability, in literary and business lines alike, has combined with her rare good judgment to give us a most excellent journal. Through these pages, we wish, for all Alpha Xi Deltas, to express deep regret at her retirement, and sincerest gratitude for her work of the last two years. The fraternity is, however, fortunate in being able to keep Miss Cleveland among its Grand Officers, thereby giving all of us the benefit of her wisdom and experience in fraternity matters.

The new members of the staff hope that the aid of the past editor in preparing this issue of the ALPHA XI DELTA will partially atone for the mistakes due to their own inexperience.



The ALPHA XI DELTA extends a most hearty welcome to Mu and Nu chapters. Mu's privileges as the baby chapter were short-lived, but they were undoubtedly given over gladly to the Washington chapter—Nu in name as well as new to sorority experiences. Both these chapters have already won a high reputation in Alpha Xi Delta circles, and they are surely most excellent additions to our chapter roll.



We wish to express our entire agreement with one of the writers in this number of the journal when she says that Delta and Iota chapters were ideal hostesses. Surely they gave their guests royal entertainment in a true sisterly fashion.

Our next national convention is to be held with Eta chapter in the fall of nineteen hundred and nine. It is not now too soon to begin to plan for it. Every girl should help make sure that her chapter achieves results which it may be proud to report at

that time. Then each sister should from now on try earnestly to plan for herself a trip to this convention. It will mean to her much personal enjoyment and inspiration. It will mean that, because of her presence, the enthusiasm of the convention will be so much the greater. And most of all, every member who attends the convention can add the weight of her own influence toward making the work and the spirit of the convention permanent. The convention just past was a marked success,—we were a goodly number and we accomplished a surprising amount of work. But should we not plan to do even greater things next time? If so, every sister can help with a determination of her own to be present unless she is absolutely prevented from going.



Congratulations are due Alpha Xi Delta upon the excellence of the new Grand Officers. The re-elected ones need no introduction: Mrs. Ella B. Boston-Lieb, Grand President, and Miss Mary E. Kay, Grand Secretary. Most of us know them well enough to realize that they are efficient and heartily devoted to the sorority's best good, and that we are indeed fortunate to retain them for another term of office. The other members of the Grand Committee are perhaps less widely known—certainly they are new to us in their present positions: Miss Bertha G. Cleveland, Grand Vice-President, Miss Ellen Ball, Grand Treasurer, and Miss Clara Salmer, Grand Historian. The editor regrets that there has not been time since the election of these new officers to gather some of the interesting facts about them which all Alpha Xi Deltas will be anxious to learn. We hope, however, in a succeeding issue, to publish a few words concerning their lives. For the present, the ALPHA XI DELTA wishes in behalf of the entire sorority to express to them our sincere pleasure in their election, our full assurance that the important work given to them is in good hands, and our faithful promise to aid them in every possible way.



The business sessions of our recent convention were a gratifying exposition of the unanimity of our sorority at large.

Wide differences of opinion upon various questions were frequent, to be sure, yet the delegates showed unmistakably that Alpha Xi Delta has thus far given to the chapters everywhere the same purposes, the same policy, and the same principles. It is almost trite to say that this is as it should be. But will it be possible for us to retain this identity of sentiment if new chapters are too rapidly added? We think not, and we believe it our first duty as Alpha Xi Deltas to keep our cherished fraternity strong within itself. If we are constantly busied with adapting new chapters to our ways and our beliefs, we shall be in danger of losing our oneness of mind and heart. We believe that a period has been reached in the growth of our fraternity where conservatism ought to be the keynote of our expansion policy. Great, good fortune has thus far attended our growth, but let us not be dazzled by any thoughts of mere numbers. Our strength should now be in unity and in the high character of our present chapter roll.



We are glad to note that the convention formally adopted Mrs. Martin's *SORORITY HAND BOOK* as an official reference book, and recommended its use in every chapter. Further action, we believe, is uncalled for, because our convention does not need to be so dictatorial as to compel the purchase of large numbers of a volume whose merit will in time insure its wide circulation in all fraternity circles.



The November ALPHA XI DELTA has been withheld until the news of the convention could be obtained. The changes in the editorial staff made by the convention and the fact that no publisher could be engaged till after the business manager for the ensuing year had been appointed, have occasioned further delay.

EXCHANGES

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Because of a change in the management of ALPHA XI DELTA, the exchange list in this issue is not complete. We gratefully acknowledge the following publications, calling attention to a few of the many interesting and instructive articles :

Beta Theta Pi :

March—"Life at the University of Chicago." F. W. Shepardson. "The Relative Efficiency of Benefactions in Large and Small Colleges." President Almon Gunnison, St. Lawrence University. (In *N. Y. Evening Post*.)

The Shield of Phi Kappa Psi :

April—"The Benefits of Organized Efforts in Rushing." George E. Clark. (Paper read at convention.) "The Influence of the Greek Letter Fraternities on College Education." W. W. Ross. (Read at a council.) "The Fraternity Problem." Guy R. Kingsley. (In this paper the holding of four year students is discussed. Studentship lost through outside influence is cited as a great cause of students' withdrawing from college.)

October—"My Idea of an Ideal Chapter." (A symposium.)

The Scroll of Phi Delta Theta :

April—(The Installation of South Dakota Alpha and a historical sketch of the University of South Dakota and of the local chapter there takes up most of this number.)

June.

October.

The Rainbow of Delta Tau Delta :

March—(A symposium concerning whether a man so undesirable as to be repudiated by his own chapter should be taken from the fraternity role or recommended for an affiliation by his chapter.)

June—Purdue University with the installation of Delta Tau Delta's Gamma Lambda Chapter there.

The Delta Upsilon Fraternity :

May—"The Hughes Dinner." "The Panama Canal," by Fullerton L. Waldo. "Delta U in Canada," by Thomas Craik Irving, Jr.

The Record of Sigma Alpha Epsilon :

May—"Sigma Alpha Epsilon at Syracuse," by A. J. Mac Elroy. Some Convention Speeches.

September.

The Delta of Sigma Nu :

May—Thirteenth Grand Chapter Banquet. Case School Chapter Installed.

August.

Kappa Alpha Journal :

June—"The Founding of Beta Iota Chapter, Drury College."

Desmos of Delta Sigma Delta :

May.

The Garnet and White of Alpha Chi Rho :

March—The Ninth Annual Convention at New York.

May—Phi Phi of Alpha Chi Rho at University of Pennsylvania. "The Landmarks." IV. An Absolute, Never Relative Standard of Manliness.

The Lyre of Alpha Chi Omega :

June—"An Account of Syracuse University," by Martha Lee. Alpha Chi Omega at Simpson College.

October—Alpha Chi Omega at the University of Colorado.

Alpha Sigma Alpha Magazine :

March—"As to the Greek Letter Fraternities."

The Trident of Delta Delta Delta :

April—Some New Songs.

June.

The Anchora of Delta Gamma :

April—"The University of Nebraska," by Lois Forsler. "A Winter in London," by Margaret S. Morriss. "The Reconstruction of Stanford University," by Endora B. Bundy.

July.

The Key of Kappa Kappa Gamma :

May—"The Greek Theatre at the University of California," by Chauncey E. Wells. "The Fraternity Question," by Charles R. Brown. The sentiment of love between two persons of the opposite sex has received, in the judgment of many, a disproportionate amount of attention in literature, while other strong and fine forms of human relationship has failed of their due recognition. The friendship between two or more persons of the same sex is productive of deep joy and has a high place of usefulness. There have been certain friendships so beautiful, so notable as to become classic. The friendship between Damon and Pythias has been sung by the poets and the memory of it perpetuated in a well known fraternal order. The friendship of David and Jonathan has likewise been embalmed in scripture and has also found place in the ritual of another fraternity. "Their souls were

knit together," the Bible says, by the interlacing, interlocking of sympathy and interest, until "Jonathan loved David as his own soul."

Other similar cases will occur to you which have been in a high degree wholesome and useful. It is good for us to know and love those with whom the question of sex, with its mysterious attractions and repulsions, does not enter in. The woman who cares little for other women and is only happy when she is talking with men, or the man who is so much of a ladies' man as to be ill at ease and unhappy when thrown for hours exclusively with men, is mentally, if not morally, diseased. It is good for the souls of men to be knit with the souls of their fellows, and for women to know and enjoy other women in similar fashion.

It is the need of such association that lies at the root of the almost countless fraternities found in all our cities. In searching out names and mysterious forms for them all, we have gone clear over the border of what is fantastic and foolish. The secrecy of these societies is not to be taken too seriously, for as a rule, it is mere dust thrown in the eyes of the uninitiated. The members themselves laugh in their sleeves over how little the secrets amount to, but the organizations do offer opportunity for social companionship in a way to satisfy a widespread desire.

The same tendency, with some additional leaning to clannishness and to the love of mystery found in most young people, is evidenced by the Greek letter fraternities in the colleges and high schools of the land. These have been in operation for more than a quarter of a century, and have not by any means so justified their existence as to win the cordial welcome and support of the best educational authorities. There is still "the Fraternity Question" with a big interrogation point after it, put there by parents and teachers, by professors and citizens, and by many of the young people themselves as they grow older and wiser.

I speak of this question as a fraternity man. I have been initiated; I have worn a "pin," at such odd times as my "best girl" did not happen to be wearing it. I know the mysterious significance attaching to the "grip" when one student meets another behind the door, and taking him by the little finger pulls it nine times to the left. I have been through all this, for I am a Sigma Chi. What I say, therefore, is not spoken in the prejudice that sometimes belongs to the "anti-frat" man who sees it all from the outside and comes up hot perhaps from some hard fought campaign where the line was closely drawn between "frats and anti-frats."

I speak with a deep sense of the importance of the question. It is a big subject. The power of association for good or ill—no nation under heaven, Christian or Pagan, has failed to condense its observation and experience on that point into some terse proverb. "He that walketh with wise men will be wise, but the companion of fools

will be destroyed," said the old Hebrew. "Evil associates corrupt good manners," said the Greek, and Paul quoted it in his letter to the Greek Christians at Corinth. "Talent is perfected in solitude, but character is formed in the stream of the world," is the German of it. "Live with wolves and you will learn to howl," the Spanish proverb has it. In these terse sayings the race has recorded its judgment of the power of association. The fraternity promotes certain forms of most intimate association and enters powerfully for good or ill into the lives of young people at a crucial period.

I will first notice certain values belonging to the fraternity. It marks out a definite group of special friends for closer association. You cannot become intimately acquainted with the whole human race or even with as much of it as happens to be present in a large high school or college. Whether it is done in organized or in unorganized ways, there must come a process of selection by which one's social sympathies and interests are kept to a manageable size.

The fraternity gives opportunity for learning to subordinate the purely personal and selfish interests to the larger good. The fraternity members have in view something beyond their own individual pleasure or success. They strive to aid some fellow member who has good prospects in a race for college or class honors. Mutual admiration, a common enthusiasm, a corporate ambition and the spirit of co-operation, are thus developed in the whole group by their common interest.

The fraternity brings the lower classmen into closer touch with those of the upper class. The first year member is not a mere unbaked freshman to the juniors and seniors in the fraternity. They have an interest and a responsibility for the freshman, because of the fraternity connection. These organizations thus cause the lines of social cleavage to run perpendicularly as well as horizontally. My own life will be forever different, by reason of the friendship of two upper class men in my university days. Such friendships are wholesome for both the younger and the older friend.

The fraternity serves as a convenient and useful basis for fellowship when members visit another college or when alumni return to their alma mater. The house of their own fraternity is open to them and affords an opportunity for them to come into touch with the eager, throbbing life about them. The alumni of a chapter may also exert a real influence for good upon the resident members of the fraternity because of this continued association.

The fraternity house offers a useful center for returning social courtesies. The students, in their class day spread and at other times, may thus indicate our appreciation of social attentions received from townspeople and other friends.

All this can be said and said heartily. It may seem to some that I am making out such a strong case for fraternities that any criticism

offered later will be of no avail. It would be unfair, however, and mean, not to state the advantages as strongly as one's own judgment would approve.

But in the second place there are certain offsets in fraternity life—there is a constant tendency to spend more time and more money than many a student can afford. No one of spirit can be entertained continually by others without striving to return the courtesies. A few in the fraternity with rich fathers, a large allowance and warm hearts, can with no sort of wrong purpose, set the pace in such a way as to demoralize a whole group of young people. Students of modest means and simple habits, dependent upon hard working fathers for education and for all the comforts of home life, are apparently forced into a gait that is wrong. They do not intend to be mean or cruel, but they adopt a scale of expenditure which they cannot afford; and become unjust to parents who make sacrifices for their education. It requires more grit than nine out of ten young people of the high school or college age possess, to stand up and oppose the course of action that leads to these ill-advised good times.

We cannot but regret that simplicity is so overborne in all our social life by the elaborate and the expensive. Business men, husbands and fathers, are being killed off before their time by nervous prostration, heart disease or exhaustion of other vital organs, in making the necessary money to keep it up. Society women, mothers and daughters, are being sent to sanitariums and rest cures by the task of devising and arranging new and elaborate ways of spending the money. What a caricature much of it is upon the social life which was meant to be a recreation, a means of relief from serious work, but not a burdensome, exacting labor!

The same spirit, alas, has found its way among the young people. The young girl in high school gives a luncheon for her fraternity elaborate enough for a society woman of fifty. The boys plan for a good time at a pace that might indicate they were solid business men well on in their prime with fortunes of their own earning, completely at their disposal. I believe the whole tendency of it is bad and only bad. The simple pleasures are the best for everybody and especially for young people. A tuxedo is not suitable for a five-year-old boy, even though his father is able to buy him a hundred of them; and some of our social activity is quite as ridiculous and inappropriate as such a coat would be on such a youngster. It rears up a set of young people who, having tasted it all, are blasé before their time and intent upon some new sensation by more startling and stimulating forms of social life. And all the while the simple, serious, quiet interests of education have been suffering a loss irreparable.

There is also the tendency toward a wasteful use of time. Where there is a lounging room with its open fire, the university colors, pillows, pictures and trophies scattered about, a crowd of jolly good

fellows always accessible. or where there is a group of girls with the latest college news to discuss, or it may be, callers and an evening supper, it is not easy to turn one's back upon it and sit alone digging on some difficult subject. Eve holding out an apple or even a ripe peach in the garden of Eden was scarcely a circumstance in the way of temptation when compared with the attraction thus offered to a student whose will already may be a trifle lame.

There is furthermore the tendency to a narrow exclusiveness which sometimes degenerates into actual snobbishness. This is especially true of the high school fraternities. The spirit of narrow clan-nishness is stronger then than later. Breadth of sympathy, which ought to be the spirit of our public schools, is thus destroyed. The girl is tempted to think that out of hundreds of girls in high school, only the little group of twenty in her own fraternity are fine, choice girls. When the social interests are thus being "cribbed, cabined and confined," it is not a long step to the spirit of that bigot who prayed, "Oh Lord, bless me and my wife, my son John and his wife, us four and no more." You have all detected the "us four and no more" spirit in the high school fraternities. The larger loyalty and broader sympathy is overborne by a narrowed social interest.

To be perfectly frank I regard the high school fraternities as nuisances. I know how many of the best students are members of them, laboring to make them helpful, not hurtful. But when you add it all up the losses, in my judgment, outrank the gains. The spirit of social exclusiveness is opposed to the true spirit of our public schools and encourages the development of qualities that have no rightful place in American young people.

In the expression of this view, I represent a great body of opinion. For the last six years I have been speaking at high school commencements and teachers' institutes in various parts of our State. I have never heard a single high school teacher or principal openly defend the fraternity. Some have been non-committal, but many have frankly uttered their condemnation of the fraternity, as prejudicial to the legitimate work of the school, as weakening the more inclusive class loyalty and as offering an effective temptation to social dissipation.. I may not hope to carry all high school students with me in this judgment, but if I asked all parents who believe fraternities tend to alienate young people from their homes, all high school teachers who believe that more evil than good results from fraternity experience, through loyalty to a part instead of to the whole school, all young people who having passed on look back from college and mature life upon those earlier fraternities as cases of immature development to line up, you would be amazed at the verdict against the high school fraternity!

We are constantly hearing that it is hard for girls to finish the high school course without breaking down. I believe the nervous

collapse is due less to faithful study than to the unnecessary excitement of fraternity rivalry and to the irregular hours and social dissipation consequent upon fraternity life.

The rightful place of the fraternity is in the university where boys and girls have become young men and young women, better able to guard such organizations against these abuses ; better able to see to it that no barriers are built between them and those whom they ought to know ; better able to extend their generous admiration to those not of their particular clique. Wisely ordered, the fraternity may be made a useful center for social sympathies and for the deepening of these wholesome intimacies, and thus become a useful educational force.

The habit of "rushing" for membership has become inexpressibly silly. The heads of weak men and women are turned by the social attentions thrust upon them as likely candidates. You would suppose the chapters would be ashamed to exhibit such eagerness as indicating a sense of their own weakness. Let the fraternities make themselves worth joining and candidates will be forthcoming ! Let students make themselves worth having and the door will be open into a desirable house whenever they are ready to join.

You ought to make your fraternity experience preparatory to the larger social status into which you will enter as a mature man or woman—a status where the narrow exclusiveness of the snob finds the door shut in its face by people of sense. If you have really gained a genuinely social spirit, you will be better able to take your place in the business world or in the home as one ready to aid in building it on the basis of honor, integrity and mutual consideration. If you have rightly learned the lessons of fraternity life, you ought to be ready to work in harmony with women striving for kindness in social life and with men who are bent upon making the State an organized expression of wise and just principles.

The Eleusis of Chi Omega :

May—"Chi Omega's Founders," "Chi Omega's Birthplace," by Eleanor Duncan Shannon. "The Installation of Delta," by Vesta Lockwood.

August.

Kappa Alpha Theta :

May—(This number contains two articles on prominent Kappa Alpha Thetas) : Charlotte Illingworth—a missionary from India. Elizabeth Miller—author of "The Yoke" and "Saul of Tarsus."

Sigma Kappa Triangle :

September.

The Phi Chi Fraternity Quarterly :

July.

The Alpha Phi Quarterly :

May—"Life in the University of Toronto," by James Murray. "Library Work with Children," by Alice I. Hazeltine. "Lefregation in the University of Nebraska," by Helen Redington.

November.

The Angelos of Kappa Delta :

May.

CHAPTER LETTERS

ALPHA

Dear Sister Chapters:

Alpha sends her love and best wishes to all of you and extends a most hearty welcome to our new chapters. We are only five this year but have three very dear pledges, Leila Bailey of Stoughton, Wis., Mima Hughes of Table Grove, Ill., Nellie Provost of Pecatonica, Ill. We opened this year's rushing season with a reception at the home of Frances Richey. September 14, our patronesses, Mrs. J. K. Mitchell and Mrs. Bertha Davis Taggart delightfully entertained us at the home of the former. September 19, we held the pledging ceremony for our new girls. Bess Williamson and Frances Richey were with us that evening and we afterwards regaled ourselves with an informal spread. One of the most enjoyable features of the year was the picnic in the woods which Mrs. Harriet Dudley gave the Alpha girls. Our sisters, Alleen Thompson, Frances Richey, Maude Andrews and Edna Epperson, who was the guest of honor, were with us. After the picnic luncheon with its loads of good things, we spent the day exploring the woods, hunting for nuts, gathering autumn leaves and singing sorority songs. Late in the afternoon, we piled into the hayrack and rode home a noisy, happy, tired crowd.

One occasion which will not soon be forgotten by the Alpha chapter girls is the "Love Feast" held on the morning of June 5, '07, at the home of Frances Richey. The chapter roll call was answered by all the active members and about twenty alumni. Many delightful memories were called up and mutual help received from the talks given by the different ones. The plans for an Alumnæ chapter were discussed.

The loving cup was passed and each drank deep to "auld lang syne" and the future welfare of Alpha Xi Delta.

Alpha Chapter wishes to publicly thank their Alumni who have shown such thoughtfulness and generosity toward them by their practical help.

Mabel Hendel, Cor. Sec.

BETA

Beta Chapter sends a greeting of love to each of her sister chapters and wishes to all a most prosperous year.

Our chapter is in a very flourishing condition this year. We have nine active members and two pledges. We started out the first frat meeting with the presence of every girl and this has been our record the entire year. We have given several little rushing parties but as our pledge day is the Saturday before Thanksgiving we have no new pledges to report.

On October 19 occurred our "Annual Fall Reception" at the home of our patroness, Mrs. Galer. About sixty guests were present and a most enjoyable evening was spent. The house was beautifully decorated with autumn leaves, ribbon and with Alpha roses and pennants. After the serving of a

three course menu, Alpha song books were distributed among our guests and we sang our songs until a very late hour.

Miss Myrtie Lauer, one of our Alpha sisters, invited all the girls of our chapter to a house party October 5, '07, at her home in Winfield, Iowa. Every girl was there and it is needless to say what a good time we had for we all know what it means for fourteen Alpha girls to get together. One of the most enjoyable features of all was the partaking of the many edible viands which Mrs. Lauer had prepared for us. After each meal the girls would silently voice this sentiment, "A feeling of fullness steals o'er me, a feeling akin to pain."

We sang Alpha songs until we could sing no longer and then we would (r-e-s-t) ourselves by the giving of our yell.

Louise Brady, Sec'y.

GAMMA

School at Mt. Union College opened September 24th with a large attendance and with every prospect for one of the best years Mt. Union has ever known. We have on our faculty list several new members. Miss Carrie Cehrs has been elected Professor of German; Professor Painter now occupies the chair of Philosophy made vacant by the death of Dr. Judd; and Professor Hatten is now at the head of the Science department. This year the Collegiate and Academic departments have been entirely separated and there are a number of new teachers in the Academic. Professor Gibbs, our English professor, has been granted a year's leave of absence and is studying in Chicago.

Since our last letter was sent before commencement we have never told you about our reunion. On Tuesday, June 18, we held our annual reunion at the chapter house. There were present about fifty girls. During the morning we initiated three pledges, Wilda Matthias, Pearl Motz and Marie Riker, and also three S. L. C. girls, Nellie Smith Cannon, Lulu Matthias Eldridge and Anna Brush Ake. After dinner letters were read from a number of the girls who could not be present. Lucille Strong acted as toastmistress and the following short toast program was given:

In and Out of College,	.	.	.	Mary Salmon.
Our Ideal Sorority Girl,	.	.	.	Ethel Montgomery.
S. L. C.,	.	.	.	Fern Fogle Holz.

Lela Caskey Leet announced the engagement of Elsie Jones to Carl Stooksberry, and that of Blanche Whilta to Frank Shaw.

We received pink roses from the fraternities. During the afternoon the girls took a number of pictures.

Gamma has nine active members. We gave a reception for the new girls September 23 at the chapter house. Just now we are planning for convention. We expect Mrs. Leib to visit here on her way to convention and are planning to give a Pan-Hellenic reception while she is here.

The girls of Gamma Chapter are indeed very proud to introduce our new patroness, Mrs. H. R. Pierce, wife of the Professor of Oratory.

Gamma sends best wishes to all the Alpha Xi Deltas and hopes for them every possible success.

Ethel Montgomery.

DELTA

Dear Sisters in Alpha Xi Delta:

It is with a sigh of relief that Delta girls take up the duties of sorority life once more, for the convention has come and gone, and everyone seemed pleased. Of course the greater share of the responsibility fell on Iota's shoulders, but Delta was most extraordinarily interested, as you know.

Our Fourth National Convention was truly a gathering of sisters, and from henceforth it will be an easier matter to write these chapter letters, for I know these sisters, and have spoken with them.

Delta's prospects for the year are most promising. Twelve (12) active members, but one of whom is a senior. Last year we lost six girls, and this fall our ranks seemed sadly depleted, but hard, persevering labor won us four new ones to fill the places left vacant in our chapter circle.

Every girl is doing her best to live up to the standard of scholarship which Alpha Xi Delta expects of us. We felt quite a little encouraged when President Cramblet paid us the tribute of saying that to know a girl as an Alpha Xi Delta was to know she was an earnest, honest student, and that our sorority had done much to increase the spirit of excelling in scholarship in the college.

Delta wishes you all a happy and prosperous year.

Faternally,

Sarah Anna Smith, Cor. Sec'y.

EPSILON

Epsilon begins the year with brighter prospects and brighter hopes than ever before. We have lost only one active member, Marjorie Breeden, from last year's list. Lucile Camerer, though not in Vermilion now, was with us during the first weeks of school and will return later to take up her work as Junior in U. S. D. The return of several former members made our roll call the longest in our record for the beginning of the year, and the rushing season resulted most fortunately for us. Four girls were initiated in October and five others wear the Alpha pledge pin, making our number twenty-one in all—twelve undergraduates, four alumnæ and five pledges.

The four girls already initiated are Helen Miller, Bertha Small, Esther Johnson and Helen Frazee. The occasion of their entrance to our circle is one of especially pleasant memory to our chapter. After the ceremony a bountiful spread was enjoyed and the new members were called on to respond to the following toasts: "Being a Freshman," Helen Frazee; "The Gentle Goat," Helen Miller; "The Useful Art of Making Eyes, with illustrations," Esther Johnson; "Great Things and Small in East Hall Life," Bertha Small.

A second ceremony will be held immediately after the return of our delegates from the convention at Morgantown.

Among the old members whom Epsilon is glad to welcome again are Mary Nichols, Lorena Grange and Mabel Richardson. Mary takes up Sophomore work, Mabel is Librarian at the University and Lorena is taking a well-earned rest at home.

Epsilon is represented at Morgantown by four girls—Lorena Grange, Clara Salmer, Julia Sweet and Ethel Richardson. The girls are taking this opportunity for an extended trip through the east, various points of interest on their route being Niagara Falls, Buffalo, Albany, Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Annapolis, Richmond and the exposition at Norfolk.

Marjorie Breeden, who graduated from the Law School in June, is practicing in her father's office at Pierre, South Dakota, the firm name now being Breeden & Breeden. Olga Averkieff, who received the degree of M. D. from the University of Iowa in June, has returned to her home in Saratov, Russia, for the practice of her profession. We are especially proud of our professional girls.

The visit of Mrs. Leib to our chapter in April of last year was one of inestimable value to us as a chapter, and individually as sorority girls. The privilege of meeting and knowing her personally, and of learning from her more of our sorority and its principles and ideals, is one which we appreciate more and more as we come to realize the deeper meaning which our sorority has for us as we grow more familiar with its history, its achievements and its purposes.

Epsilon.

ZETA

Zeta Chapter sends greetings to all.

We have had a grand beginning and are joyful over our prospects for the year.

We had a tea at Hazel Wright's home and got acquainted with the new girls. After this we pledged several girls. They are Willard Wright, Margaret Fornshell, Ruth Collier, Elizabeth Sudhoff and Lois Miller.

We are looking forward to initiation in the near future.

Our patroness, Mrs. John L. Zimmerman, has returned from a very delightful trip abroad, which was necessitated by the ill health of her younger son, Jack.

Word has just been received from Van Wirt, Ohio, saying that Ella Swartout has a bad case of typhoid fever.

Marjorie Smith is better after having had a long siege of typhoid fever. Mabel Bracher, '06, is teaching in Bucyrus.

Anna Miller is teaching Latin-Greek in the Mansfield high school.

Jeanette Steck is back in Utica, N. Y., teaching.

We have a chapter house fund to which all our alumnae pay \$5.00. This fund is growing.

We hope that each chapter will have the greatest success in the year's work.

Yours in Alpha Xi Delta,

Clara Hill Dornblaser, Cor. Sec'y.

ETA

Eta Chapter returns this year with bright prospects with sixteen girls in the chapter house, three city girls, besides six freshmen lately added to our list.

Eta held initiation October eighteenth, followed on the nineteenth by a banquet at the Vanderbilt. Martha Hutchings, '07, acted as toastmistress and the following responded to toasts: Helen Truair, '10; Helen Rosa, '11; Miranda Myres, '09; Hazel Brush, '09; Elaine Putnam, '08; Grace Fox, '06; Elizabeth Loetzer, '06, and Bertha Cleveland, '05.

During the rushing season one of our patronesses, Mrs. Comstock, entertained us informally at her home.

Married October the ninth, at the home of her parents in Wolcott, N. Y., Cecil Horton, ex-'09, to Climer Austin. Grace Fox, Hazel Brush, Mollie Curtiss and Ethel Peterson attended the wedding.

October nineteenth was the formal opening of the Archbold Stadium, at Syracuse University. It has a seating capacity of 50,000 and is constructed of solid concrete. Several other new buildings are in use this fall—the Carnegie Library, Machinery Hall of Smith College and Lyman Hall of Natural History, while the new Chemistry Building is in process of construction and foundations are laid for the new Men's Gymnasium.

Margaret A. Hoard.

THETA

This summer the following were guests at a house party, given by Frances Albers, '09, at her home in Wausaw: Charlotte Stough, '09, of Minneapolis, Minn.; Louise Erb, '08, of Appleton, Wis.; Nellie Angell, '07, of Sun Prairie, Wis. Florence Simon, '08, of La Crosse, Wis., was the guest of Winnifred Ryan, and Signe Ravn '10, was the guest of Katharine Morris (pledge).

Together with Frances' sister Irene, we made a jolly party of ten, and Frances certainly did herself proud as a hostess.

Monday, August 6th, was the day set for the arrival of the guests. All were there by eight o'clock in the evening and we gathered at the Albers home on La Salle Terrace, to hold a reunion.

Tuesday afternoon the house party made its debut with a heart party given by Katharine Morris. In the evening Frances entertained us at cards.

Wednesday, Mrs. Albers entertained us at a picnic at Rib mountain, the highest point in the State. We started from the Albers home about eleven o'clock and drove the seven miles in a wagonette. After the dandy "eats" Mrs. Albers had prepared for us had been consumed, we spent the remainder of the day mountain climbing. Rib is very hard to climb, owing to the great boulders and brush heaps, so we were all in a sad state as to shoe leather and petticoats at the end of the day, but we certainly had a fine time notwithstanding.

Wednesday evening, Katharine entertained again and Thursday evening

Mr. and Mrs. Albers gave a dancing party at the Wausaw club house, at which about fifty couples were present.

Friday evening Winifred Ryan entertained at cards. Saturday afternoon Mrs. Agnes B. Murray entertained at cards and luncheon. Saturday evening the boys, who had enjoyed most of the other stunts with us, took us to Brokaw, a small village five miles north of Wausaw, on the evening train for a country dance and we returned in true country style on a hay rack.

Sunday evening the crowd was all up at Albers' singing and talking over things.

Monday afternoon Mrs. Bishop Thompson entertained at fan-tan and in evening the boys took us to see "The Isle of Spice." After the play we all went up to Albers' for a midnight supper, which was followed by toasts. We then sang until the wee sma' hours, when we finally broke away all very enthusiastic on the subject of the Albers family as entertainers.

Winifred Ryan, Theta.

IOTA

Dear Sisters:

Iota sends hearty greetings to all of the chapters and wishes each and all the most successful year yet. We are eagerly looking forward to convention time to welcome the Alphas to "W. V. U.", our only dread is that not enough will come.

Since our last letter, Iota is pleased to introduce a new patroness, Mrs. Charles Edgar Hogg, the wife of the Dean of the Law School. Professor and Mrs. Hogg came to Morgantown last year from Pt. Pleasant, W. Va., where Professor Hogg had an extensive law practice. He is one of the lawyers defending West Virginia in the Virginia Debt case, the oldest live case on the Supreme Court docket.

Iota has also two new Alphas to introduce, Cora Edna Jackson of Ronceverte, W. Va., and Mary Frances Chadwick of Morgantown, W. Va.

Elizabeth Sadler gave a house party to the girls two weeks before commencement. Such a time as we had. We held the initiation there, and "Billy" was very unruly and did all sorts of pranks. Bertha Jane Smith came down from Sistersville and for the first time since the spring Iota Chapter was installed, the charter members were all back.

Iota starts in this year with nine girls ready for work. Rushing season is in full swing and with convention coming soon we are leading strenuous lives. We have given one rushing party at the home of Mrs. T. C. Atkeson, and another at the home of Mrs. C. H. Smith. Both proved very delightful affairs.

Iota announces the engagement of Drusilla Victoria Johnson to Rev. Errett Burges Quick, pastor of the Christian Church, Morgantown, W. Va. The wedding will take place sometime during the Christmas holidays.

We gave an announcement party at the home of Mabel Weaver, September 27. A trunk full of rice and bon-bons tied with white ribbons was given to the "bride-to-be" to express Iota's hearty congratulations and to help along the affair.

Lillian Smith is teaching English History in the Preparatory School. Lillian is most the busiest girl in college with being on the faculty twice and carrying her regular school work.

Again wishing all a prosperous year, and hoping to see many of you at convention,

Yours in Alpha Xi Delta, *Crystal Courtney, Sec'y Iota Chapter.*

LAMBDA

Dear Alphas:

Lambda Chapter sends her heartiest greetings to all her sisters, and best wishes for a very happy and prosperous year.

We have all enjoyed a delightful summer and are back again ready for good, hard work.

Immediately after commencement we had our annual house party at Rockport, Mass. Such fun as we had in our "Unedda Rest Camp!" Many were the hours of joy and pleasure—but few the hours of sleep. During our stay at Rockport we were delightfully entertained one day by Professor and Mrs. Chase at their home in Gloucester. The occasion was a clam-bake and lobster-roast. After this splendid "feed" we were shown the places of interest about Gloucester. One place in particular interested us, the Gorton Codfish establishment. Here we were shown everything from the unloading of the fish from the ships to the packing into boxes. All together we had a most enjoyable day. Mrs. Chase is one of our patronesses.

A Round Robin kept us in touch with each other during the summer.

Our prospects did not seem very bright at the opening of the term, as our number had diminished greatly. Besides the seniors who were graduated in June, four other members did not return this fall. Nellie Kimball, '09, who was taking a special course, did not return. Ruth Nash, '09, has left us and has gone to Stanford University, to be nearer her home which is now in Los Angeles, Cal. We greatly miss Ruth, as it was she who first interested us in Alpha Xi Delta thro her friends at Lombard. Eleanor Ladd, '08, also a special, did not return. Katherine Cragin, '10, will not be able to resume her work this year, but we hope to have her with us again next year. However, we are not to be discouraged even by the loss of so many of our sisters. "Every cloud has a silver lining," you know. We have already pledged three girls, Audrey Duffey, Sue Knight and Bertha Shepard; splendid girls, of course.

Mrs. Dennison, another of our patronesses, gave an informal tea at her home to introduce some of the new girls. We all love to go there, Mrs. Dennison has such an interesting home.

Rushing has been unusually strenuous this year, due, we think, to the Pan Hellenic, which is an entirely new institution at Tufts. Informal spreads, theatre parties, etc., have been given.

Katherine Cragin is to give us a social evening at her home in Bedford, Tuesday, October 29th. We are to enjoy a straw ride to and from her home.

Two of our members, Ethel Fuller and Gertrude Johnson, hope to meet

many new Alpha sisters at the convention. This will be Lambda's first convention and we are all looking anxiously forward to it.

As our next number comes after the holidays, Lambda wishes her sisters a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year full of good luck.

Gertrude C. Johnson.

NU

Nu wishes to thank all of her sisters for their cordial letters of welcome and their good wishes for the prospects of the "new" chapter.

It was with a feeling of pride that we gathered around the festal board on the eve of our installation and received the notes of congratulation and the flowers from the other fraternities. The tables were laden with good things, and the decorations of Alpha roses and carnations were very beautiful.

We feel especially fortunate in having as our patronesses Mrs. Thomas Burke and Mrs. A. S. Kerry, leaders in the social life of Seattle, and three prominent faculty leaders, Mrs. Edmund Meany, Mrs. F. W. Meisnest and Mrs. William Savery. Their entertainment and gifts of flowers and favors during installation week were much appreciated by the girls.

We were sorry to lose Madie Willimann, Pearl Gilkey, Marion Schneider and Elsie Waddingham when they graduated at the end of the last semester, but the eleven girls who came back this term have proven most enthusiastic workers.

During the summer we were busy preparing for the opening of our house this fall, but we did not fail to combine business with pleasure in "sewing bees" at the homes of the different girls. Lela Parker gave a lawn party at the beginning of vacation. The lawns and verandas were hung with Japanese lanterns, and everyone had a delightful time.

Just before college opened two jolly events took place. One was a general shower by our mothers and friends, the day we opened our house for the first time. Marion Wrigley, who visited us last week, brought us "the one thing needed"—a dear little gold clock, so now we feel quite ready for house-keeping. The other was a dance given by Ethel Latham at her charming home at Alki Point, overlooking the Sound. The house was artistically decorated in festoons of hops, with fern bowers on the broad verandas. The programs were sunflowers with the dances on the petals.

We have been very fortunate in securing as our chaperon, Miss Johnson. She is, at the time, the head of the Modern Language department of the Lincoln High School of Seattle. She studied music at Leipsic for several years and we feel that we have found in her that social grace and dignity and charming personality which wins the love and respect of all with whom she comes in contact.

I'm sure you will want to know what our house is like. I just wish that all of you girls could see it—it is so "homey" inside. Just come thru it with me and I know that you will want to live with us. Downstairs the wood-work and furniture match thruout in old mission style. With the

exception of the kitchen and the servant's room the whole lower floor is really one large room, for broad arches connect the hall, living room, library and dining room. A quaint stairway leads from the living room to the round hall up stairs, out of which seven pleasant sleeping-rooms open. A large open fire-place extends across one corner of the living room and a dear little cosy corner is built in another. Our chapter room and library is between the living room and the dining room—it now looks quite cosy decorated with our numerous pennants and emblems. Our twenty-six foot dining room is really our favorite room. It certainly looks very pretty in its mission furnishings and soft brown tinting. A broad veranda extends across the front of the house, with doors onto it from the living room and the library. Climbing roses shield it from public view and make it a delightful rendezvous for us all.

Since the beginning of school, it has been one round of parties for the girls we are rushing—and although we are quite tired, we feel amply repaid by the girls who are pledging themselves to Alpha Xi Delta, and hope, though “new,” we may prove ourselves worthy of the quill we wear.

On the evening of October 19th, the chapter conducted its first initiation. Our chapter house was prettily decorated with autumn leaves and flowers, and with the girls in their dainty dresses the effect was charming. Eight girls were admitted to our circle—Pearl Stimmel, '10; Florence Lucks, '10; Adelaide Fischer, '09; Alice Murchison, '10; Hazel Geisseman, '11; Mae McLachlan, '08; Rosalia McNamara, '11; and Dorothy Mason, '11.

Several of our alumni were with us again and Mary Kay, Marian Wrigley and Mabel Spry were most welcome guests and helpers. After the initiation ceremony we had our banquet.

Madie Willimann, the toastmistress, introduced the speakers with appropriate words. The toasts given were :

Our Reinforcements, Elsie Waddingham.
 “In proportion to their enthusiasm will be their strength.”

First Impressions, Mae McLachlan.
 “What every one asks for, and no one really wants, a candid opinion.”

The Undergraduate, Frances Sanborn.
 “Father and mother pay all the bills and we have all the fun.”

Looking Forward, Lillian Esary.

Across the Years, Marian Wrigley, A, '03.
 “Memory shows the light of other days.”

Impromptus—

Home-Cooking, Pearl Gilkey,

Our New Sisters, Adelaide Fischer.

At the end of the toast program, the engagement and approaching marriage of Miss Rosalia McNamara was charmingly announced by Mary Kay.

We have set the date and invitations have been issued for the formal opening of our house, on Friday, November 15th.

Frances M. Sanborn.

ALLIANCE ALUMNÆ

Alpha Xi Delta enjoyed a picnic at Myers Lake, Canton, during the summer. A most delightful time was spent taking in the varied amusements of the grounds.

Edith Taylor attended a house party for five days, near Mt. Pleasant, Ohio.

Beulah Kirlin spent her vacation in Detroit, Mich., visiting friends.

Miss Ora Carver of Alpha Chapter visited Gay Milbourn a few days. During her visit Gay entertained the Alumnæ and we were all glad to meet Miss Carver.

We are sorry to lose Mary Kay from our Alumnæ Chapter. Just before her departure for Seattle we gave a handkerchief shower in her honor and wished her success in her new work, for we know she will be just as enthusiastic for Alpha Xi Delta in Nu Chapter as in Gamma.

Mary Bracher visited one of the girls of Mu Chapter at Oberlin College recently.

Anna and Elsie Jones spent their vacation at Minneapolis, Minnesota, visiting relatives, and while there they enjoyed the hospitality of Mu Chapter.

We are glad to announce the marriage of Blanche Whitla to Frank E. Shaw, October 17th. They will reside in Alliance, so Blanche will still be able to attend Alumnæ.

We are glad to welcome Mrs. Leib, who arrived October 28th. She is being entertained by Etta Bates, and on October 29th a Panhellenic reception will be given in her honor at the home of Edith and Mary Taylor. Several of the old girls are also expected to attend.

Several of our girls intend going to Morgantown to the convention, among whom are, Beulah Kirlin, Anna and Elsie Jones, Effie Halles and Mary Taylor.

Grace Newhouse spent the summer with her sister in Washington.

Ada Powell is teaching in Akron this year, hence we miss her from Alumnæ.

Mary Taylor.

BOSTON ALUMNÆ

The Boston Alumnæ sends best wishes for a happy and successful year to all its Alpha sisters.

The annual Rockport house party was held early in the summer and the Alpha girls who found it possible to attend had the usual good time.

The first Boston Chapter meeting of the year was held at the pretty new home of Grace Carleton Mansfield in Wakefield. It seemed good to meet the girls again after the summer separation, especially when so pleasantly entertained.

Lena Abbe, '01, has left her position as teacher in the Salem High school and has taken a similar position in Gloucester.

Marion MacQuinn Thomas, '01, of Minneapolis, came last June. The Boston Alphas were delighted to see her and to welcome her into their field.

In June, Julia Gibbs Adams, '03, took a trip to New York, Philadelphia

and Washington. On her way she visited Wilson College at Chambersburg, Pennsylvania. She says that it is a splendid woman's college and that there are several secret societies but none of them are national. She thinks it is a very good field for our sorority.

We are sorry indeed to hear of the death of Julia's father whom we know had become exceptionally dear to her because of the patient care she had taken of him during his long illness.

Olive Ryan, '03, is teaching Latin in Westerly, Rhode Island.

Georgianna Clark, '04, and Irena Crawford, '07, are both teaching in the North Chelmsford High school.

Gussanda Countway, '04, has gone to Helena, Montana, where she is to teach this winter.

The storks visited Mertie Crowell Saunders, '04, this summer, bringing her a baby daughter.

Betsey Harmon, '04, is spending the winter at her home in Adams.

We are sorry to lose as active a member of our chapter as Alice Cummings, '04, who has accepted a position of teacher in Washington, D. C.

Florence McCoy is spending the winter at home and we are all delighted to have her so near Boston this year.

Wilmah Marshall is teaching in the High school at Hardwick, Vt.

Early in the summer, Alice Edwards, '06, visited Montreal. On returning she entered Hikox Shorthand school where she is still studying.

Phebe Johnson, '06, is the librarian in the Leicester Public Library.

Laila Nye has finished her course at Bryant and Stratton Commercial College and is now Secretary to the President of the Home Savings Bank, Boston.

Last June, Ruth Sibley, '06, was graduated from the course in Library Science at Simmons College and is now in the Art Library at Wellesley College.

Geraldine Douglas, '07, has accepted a position as teacher of Music and German in a private school in Connecticut.

Persis Hannah, '07, has entered on her career as a journalist and we are all very proud of her success.

Marion Orne is taking the course at Bryant and Stratton Commercial College.

Eleanor Ladd, '08, has left college and is with an insurance firm in Boston.

Nellie Kimball, '09, is learning the intricate lesson of house keeping at the Kimball's lovely new home in Newton.

Beth Nash, '09, whose home is now in Los Angeles, has entered Leland Stanford University.

Ruth A. Sibley, Boston Alumnæ.

PERSONALS

ALPHA

Mrs. Jessie Walker Watson is visiting in Galesburg.

Miss Evelyn Oleen of Chicago visited in Galesburg for a few days during September.

A little daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Murray T. Bruner, May 9.

Alpha has enjoyed visits from Edna Epperson and Maude Andrews of Rio lately.

Miss Gertrude Rich has moved to Los Angeles, California.

Miss Mabel Irwin spent the summer vacation visiting points of interest in Florida.

Born June 10, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McRae, Jr.

Miss Edith Miller is reported very ill with typhoid fever at Pueblo, Colo.

Mr. John Andrews and Miss Grace Schnur were married August 21. They will reside at Longmont, Colo., where the groom is a promising young physician.

Miss Mabel Irwin left October 15 for Cincinnati where she will join her mother and go from there to Philadelphia and Morgantown.

The marriage of Miss Edna Epperson and Mr. Harry Brinkman will take place October 26. They will make their future home in Chicago. The Alpha Chapter girls will miss her very much but wish the young couple all happiness in their new home.

Born September 14, to Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Kimble, a daughter.

Mabel Hendel was called home to attend the sad funeral of Mrs. George Thompson of Colchester, Ill., mother of our dear sister, Alleen Thompson.

Miss Marion Wrigley has been visiting in Seattle, Washington.

BETA

Miss Ellen Ball attended the "Supreme National Convention" P. E. O. at Brookfield, Mo., October 14-15.

We are more than delighted to have Mrs. Florence Currier-Stephens with us again this year. She is now moving into her new home on North Broadway.

Miss Alice Babb is attending school at Northwestern this year. She is greatly missed by her Beta sisters and we all hope that she will decide to make Iowa Wesleyan her "Alma Mater."

Miss Mabel Lauer is attending school at Oklahoma University this year.

Mrs. Galer is with us again this year. She is slightly improved in health but we all hope that she will soon regain her former health.

Luella Hightshoe is teaching in Sturgis, S. Da., Ina Duncan in Toledo and Stella Barnett in Morning Sea, Ia. All three of the girls were "Seniors" last year.

Louise Brady, Sec'y.

GAMMA

We very much miss Nellie Hawkins who on account of her mother's illness was unable to be in school. We are expecting her back for the winter term.

Marie Riker spent ten days this summer at the Central Conference of Y. W. C. A. at Geneva, Wis. While there she met some Alpha girls from other chapters.

Nellie Campbell is living with her sister this year and attending Allegheny College at Meadville, Pa.

Olive Bracher has come back to us and expects to graduate.

DELTA

Delta began the year with eight girls to take up the responsibilities which the fall term always brings. Sorority material was not abundant in Bethany this year, but we are proud to be able to introduce to you four new sisters: Miss Dolly Houston, of Moundsville, W. Va.; Miss Letha Maddon, of Hebron, O.; Miss Edith Mercer, of Randolph, O.; Miss Mary Lewis, of Bethany, W. Va.

Last commencement added four more to the list of alumnæ, three of whom are teaching. Eunice Orrison is teaching her home school at Morristown, O.; Effie Bishoff is also in her home school at Rankin, Pa., and Bertha Kleeberger in the Preparatory department of Bethany College.

Delta announces the engagement of Helen Tinsley, '07, to Mr. F. C. McMillan, of Cleveland. We offer our sister the heartiest congratulations.

Mavis Hudson is enjoying university life at Cornell this year.

Anna Mary Kemp, '06, our Soror in Facultate of last year, is spending the year at her home in Mansfield, O.

Edith Justice, '06, is taking a course in one of the hospitals in Cleveland, O., to become a nurse.

Elizabeth Carson, '06, and Muriel Scott, '05, were among the alumnæ to attend the Alpha Xi Delta convention.

Eunice Orrison, '07, spent Sunday with the Delta girls a short time ago. It seemed like old times to have her back with us again.

Elizabeth Gatts, the President of our Y. W. C. A., was unable to return this term, but we are looking forward to having her with us again after the holidays.

Miss Mary Gray spent Sunday recently at her home in Pittsburg, Pa.

Mary Gentry Cornett, Anne Smith, Mabel Mercer and Helen Marshall spent the Sunday following the convention at Helen's home in Pittsburg, Pa.

EPSILON

Helen Tarbell is President of the Senior class.

Margaret Miller was one of U. S. D.'s delegates to the Y. W. C. A. convention held in Cascade, Colo., in August. Margaret is Vice-President of the local Y. W. C. A. this year.

Lucille Camerer is "holding down" a claim in Stanley County. She will return later in the year to take up her college work.

Alice Brenne is teaching in Sioux City, Iowa, this year.

Mabel Richardson, who graduated from the University of Illinois Library school, spent the summer in Seattle as assistant in the library of the State University of Washington. She returned to Vermilion in September to take charge of the University library. Birdie Richardson has been appointed as her assistant.

Deborah Slocum was winner of the gold medal given by Dean Grabill of the College of Music for highest excellence in that department during the year 1906-7. Deborah has not returned to school as yet, but we hope to have her with us later in the year.

Recent pledges to Epsilon are Grace Sanborn, Marion Williams, Mabelle Eastman and Sarah Sewall.

ZETA

Zeta has no Seniors this year because her one Senior after her winter's illness has entered the Junior class.

Edith Smith, Hazel Wright and Clara Dornblaser are Juniors and try very hard to keep up the dignity of the chapter.

Edith Smith was in Detroit this summer, spending her vacation.

Clara Dornblaser spent two weeks in Chicago and Wilmette, Ill., after which she spent ten days at the Y. W. C. A. conference at Williamsbay, Wis. While there she met several Alpha girls.

Lillian Seybold spent her vacation in Columbus, Ohio.

Leta Condit reports a very pleasant visit in Illinois. While there she met several Alpha girls.

ETA

Those initiated into the mystic circle of Alpha Xi Delta were Theodora Bothwell, Hazel Slaten, Ethel Carling, Mabel Dumm, Helen Rosa and Laura Tobin, all Freshmen. Besides these new sisters, Eta is glad to announce one pledge—Elizabeth Tucker.

Eta is proud of the good record of her 1907 Seniors. Out of the ten Phi Beta Kappas awarded, Martha Hutchings took the first place while Nettie Britton held the third. Dora Baker had a "Cum Laude."

Edith Lawrence, '07, is teaching in the Normal Music Course at the Teachers' College.

Hazel Slaten has been elected Secretary of the Freshman class.

Eva Elliott is pledged to Eta Pi Upsilon, the Senior woman's society here.

Dora Baker, '07, is teaching at Roslyn, Long Island, and Nettie Britton, '07, is at Tupper Lake, N. Y.

Dora Lockwood, '06, has accepted a position to teach at Portville, N. Y., while Grace Fox, '06, is at Fulton. Elizabeth Loetzer, '06, is at Binghamton and Gertrude Wright, '06, is at Great Neck, Long Island.

Laura Weller, '05, and Louise Weller, '06, are both teaching in New Jersey.

Bertha Cleveland, '05, Grace Fox, '06, Elizabeth Loetzer, '06, and her sister, Rose Loetzer, were with us for initiation.

THETA

Signe Ravn, '10, is spending a year in Christiana, Norway, studying music and languages. She will return next fall and resume her work at the university.

Marion Ryan, '06, and Agnes Ravn, '06, returned September 15 from their summer abroad.

Una Reardon and Florence McRae, both '10's, are studying at Milwaukee Downer College this year.

Theta's '07 members are located as follows: Nellie Angell, Gladstone, Mich.; Georgie Chave, Colby, Wis.; Elizabeth Erb, Waterloo, Wis.; Ruth Ehern, River Falls, Wis.

Louise Erb, '08, our delegate to the convention, will be accompanied by Ruth Strong, '09.

Theta will give her informal party at Keeley's on January 18.

We are occupying our new lodge on the corner of University and Murray streets and are well pleased with our new location.

Nanna Hough, '09, received a silver loving cup for the highest average score in bowling.

Elizabeth Erb, '07, who is teaching at Waterloo, comes in every Saturday to study elocution in the university.

Winifred Ryan, Cor. Sec'y.

IOTA

Mary Cooper, one of our Seniors, spent the vacation at her home in Tennessee. She visited the Watkins sisters in Grafton, both going home and coming back to school.

Professor Atkeson and family enjoyed the summer in their country home, "Laundale," at Buffalo, W. Va.

Mabel Weaver visited Elizabeth Sadler during vacation, and also spent several days with friends in Fairmont.

Lillian Smith visited friends in Charlestown, W. Va., and Washington, D. C., this summer. She also spent several days with the Watkins girls in Grafton.

Mabel Weaver is personal editor of the "Athenæum" this year.

Ethel Green, a Senior, taught in the Fairmont public schools several weeks, substituting for one of the teachers who was abroad.

Crystal Courtney has been elected Secretary of the Junior class.

Nancy Coplin, who taught in the Mannington High school last year, is again in school.

Crystal Courtney has been to Pittsburg several times, having her eyes treated.

NU

Bess Underwood, Theta, who was with us last year, and won all our hearts to Alpha Xi Delta, has returned to her home at Boise, Idaho. We miss our "Queen Bess" greatly, and wish she were here to join us in our rushing frolics in our new home.

Madie Williman, our beloved president of the local Sigma Alpha Sigma, is teaching at Kirkland.

Pearl Gilkey, who graduated last term, has a splendid position at Anacortes.

Marion Schneider, one of our most enthusiastic workers, is teaching at Centralia High school.

Grace Newhouse, Gamma, visited us this summer. We met her at a most delightful evening at the home of Lela Parker, and only regretted that our absence from home for part of the summer, and our work for the new house, kept us from seeing more of her.

Mabel Richardson, Epsilon, was assistant librarian at the University of Washington during summer school.

We feel especially fortunate this term in having with us Mary Emily Kay, grand secretary of Alpha Xi Delta. We all love her dearly and hope that her stay with us may be prolonged.

Marion Wrigley, Alpha, was the guest of Mary Kay at one of our informal dances. We found her most charming, and wish that we could persuade her to take some post-graduate work at the university,

Elsie Waddingham, '07, who graduated last term with honors in zoology, has been with us at our rushing parties this term.

Five of our girls, Myrtle Parr, Lela Parker, Mary Smith, May Chambers and Frances Sanborn, and one of our pledges, Adelaide Fischer, were guests of the Alpha Tau Omega's for two weeks at their camp at Firlock, on Lake Washington.

Mabel Spry, Beta, is teaching in Seattle, and has been our guest at many affairs this term.

Frances M. Sanborn.

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Mt. Pleasant Alumnae	Mt. Pleasant, Ia.
Boston Alumnae	Boston, Mass.

HISTORY OF ALPHA CHAPTER OF ALPHA XI DELTA.

1893-1908.

Alpha chapter of Alpha Xi Delta, was founded at Lombard College, Galesburg, Illinois, April the seventeenth, 1893, by girls, namely: Hattie McCullum Gosso, Alice Bartlett Bruner, Cora Bollinger Block, Lonie Strong Taylor, Maude Foster, Bertha Cook Evans, Eliza Curtis Everton, Lucy H. Gilmer, Almira Cheney, and Frances Cheney.

The first officers were:

President—Cora Bollinger.

Vice-President—Lucy Gilmer.

Secretary—Almira Cheney.

Treasurer—Lonie Strong.

Chaplain—Frances Cheney.

Historian—Hattie McCullum.

Marshal—Bertha Cook.

Alpha Xi Delta was a local organization for ten years, during which time she maintained her number and felt little or no drawback from the fact of non-nationality.

It would naturally be expected that the fact of being local would necessitate very hard rushing, the only competitor, Pi Beta Phi, being a national and having been established at Lombard since 1872.

The girls of Alpha chapter were ambitious to become national and in the years 1902-1903, strenuous efforts were put forth in that direction. Too much cannot be said in commendation of those girls who so diligently persevered for the cause of the national Alpha Xi Delta! In this attempt the girls were very much aided by Delta Theta of Sigma Nu, and to the young men of this chapter Alpha Xi Delta is very much indebted.

THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

The University of Minnesota was first organized in 1851; it was reorganized, however, in 1868 and dates its actual beginning from that year.

The University grounds cover about forty-five acres commanding a beautiful view of the Falls of St. Anthony and the city of Minneapolis. There are twenty-four buildings on the campus, including a new woman's building, called Alice Schevlin Hall, well equipped for every convenience of the college girl; also a new main building which has been built to replace the old one which burned down about five years ago, crippling us considerably and making the six-day system necessary.

There are numerous literary societies in the Academic Department: The Forum, Castalian, Minerva, Hermean and Arena. There are also the Dramatic, Glee, Euterpean and various other clubs of like nature.

There are eight Greek letter sororities and seventeen academic fraternities, besides eight professional and the two honorary fraternities, the Phi Beta Kappa and Sigma Xi.

President Northrup is at the head of this large institution which in size is second in the United States.



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REPORT OF SIXTH INTER-SORORITY CONFERENCE

The Sixth Inter-Sorority Conference met Friday, September 13, 3 p. m., for its first session, with Miss Holcombe, Chi Omega, in the chair. Miss Elda L. Smith, Pi Beta Phi, acted as secretary.

The following delegates, after presenting credentials, were enrolled:

PI BETA PHI.—Miss Elda L. Smith, 710 So. Sixth St., Springfield, Ill.

KAPPA ALPHA THETA.—Mrs. Laura H. Norton 2541 No. Paulina St., Chicago.

KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA.—Mrs. W. W. Canby, Galice, Oregon.

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ALPHI XI DELTA.—Mrs. J. R. Leib, 1271 West Washington St., Springfield, Ill.

CHI OMEGA.—Miss Jobelle Holcombe, Fayetteville, Ark.

SIGMA KAPPA.—Miss Sara B. Mathews, 297 Ashland Boulevard, Chicago.

ALPHA OMICRON PI.—Mrs. C. G. Bigelow, 1321 Monroe St., Chicago.

The secretary read a summary of the work of the five Inter-Sorority Conferences prepared by Miss Gamble for the use of new delegates. Miss Holcombe read her report as secretary

of the I. S. C. Her summary of the year's achievements follows:

After the close of the Fifth I. S. C. 1000 copies of the minutes were printed and circulated, with 500 copies of the model constitution for Pan-Hellenics. Later 800 copies of the report of the delegate to the Deans' Conference were printed and circulated. The secretary took the liberty to divide into two motions the resolution against high school sororities. It was made to read

Motion I. *Resolved*, That sororities in high schools and other secondary schools should be discouraged.

Motion II. Moved that after four years from date of notification by Grand Presidents, each Sorority in the Inter-Sorority Conference refuse to admit any young woman who has been a member of a sorority in a high school or secondary school.

Voting blanks were sent to all Grand Secretaries and a vote called for. The secretary delayed in calling for the result of the vote in order that the subject might be fully discussed in the journals before final action was taken. The result of the vote occurs elsewhere in this report.

The dispensations to Wisconsin and to Michigan, as recommended by the Fifth I. S. C., were ratified by the Grand Presidents.

The secretary was asked to investigate the law concerning the making and wearing of jewelry by unauthorized persons. She did much corresponding on the subject, and is indebted to Wright Kay & Co., Detroit, Mich., for an extensive article taken from the Beta Theta Pi Journal. From it a conclusion is reached that there is no law that covers the question. The jewelers think such a law would be hard to enforce.

The secretary wishes to emphasize the importance of sending the various sorority journals to the secretary of I. S. C. Some journals reached here promptly, but from some editors no copies were received. Complaint was made to her that the grand officers also did not receive the exchanges.

The chairman appointed a committee on recommendations, Mrs. Parmelee and Mrs. Canby.

Reports were read from all twelve sororities composing the

I. S. C. The reports considered: (a) Conflicts and difficulties arising in Pan-Hellenics; (b) Attitude of sorority on high school sororities; (c) All convention action bearing upon the Conference or Inter-Sorority relations; (d) Recommendations to the Conference; (e) Suggestions for improvement of Pan-Hellenic organizations.

The remainder of the session was spent in a discussion of the exact meaning and wording of the I. S. C. Constitution. To facilitate matters, the chair appointed Mrs. Leib, Miss Mathews and Mrs. Norton to act as a committee to examine the present tentative constitution and receive all recommendations suggested.

Adjourned.

INTER-SORORITY CONFERENCE, SECOND SESSION.

This session convened Saturday, September 14, at 9:30 a.m., and was given up to reports of committees. Alpha Phi, who had been appointed to investigate conditions at Michigan University, reported a decided advance in Pan-Hellenic spirit there. The chairman of I. S. C. is authorized to send word to each chapter at Michigan University that the dispensation recommended by I. S. C. and granted by the Grand Presidents expires September 23. In addition, each delegate is to send word to her Grand President to so notify her chapter at Michigan. The I. S. C. extends a vote of thanks to Mrs. Woodward for her efforts towards adjusting the difficulties at Michigan.

The Kappa Kappa Gamma delegate reported the result of her study of conditions at Wisconsin University. Mention was made of the meeting of Madison women, who adopted resolutions advocating moderation in social affairs. Kappa Kappa Gamma was continued as a standing committee for the same study a year longer, and Mrs. Canby was asked to express to the Pan-Hellenic of Madison the approval by I. S. C. of the improvement there. The chairman of I. S. C. was ordered to notify the Pan-Hellenic at Wisconsin that her dispensation expires at the seventh I. S. C., 1908.

The difficulties experienced at Syracuse were discussed, and Mrs. McElroy and Miss Thompson were appointed a com-

mittee to work through their Grand Councils towards an adjustment.

Mrs. Tennant read her report on Social Service and Pan-Hellenics. She reported that lists of four questions had been sent to each sorority visiting delegate, and to a few persons identified with colleges in such a way as to make their statements valuable. From the replies she obtained the following facts:

1. Where Pan-Hellenic compacts have been agreed upon and then dishonored, in every case, without exception, the trouble has centered in a small selfishness that has justly brought criticism on the entire sorority body. There has been no care for "the greatest good to the greatest number," and apparently no realization that *principle* should stand before *individual preference*. On the other hand, where an earnest attempt has been made to follow a Pan-Hellenic agreement, snobbishness to a large extent is dying out, as a consequence of a more intelligent understanding of each other's motives and standards; certain evils, such as the large expense connected with "rushing," are acknowledged; and a strong current is setting in the direction of alma mater first, fraternity, if necessary, second.

2. The sorority girl finds her social needs very adequately met in her own group, consequently she does not really see the need of identifying herself with Women's Leagues and Y. W. C. A. "Noblesse oblige—noble birth implies responsibility." We believe the sorority was born rightly, and to recognize her own powers is the present responsibility.

3. There is a rapidly growing sentiment of kindness toward the non-fraternal student.

There is an earnest expression against the evils of rushing—over elaborateness of entertainment, neglect of regular college work, and unwarranted expenditures.

A committee consisting of Miss Thompson and Miss Mathews was appointed with two purposes: (a) to reprint the Pan-Hellenic Model Constitution, appending to it the various recommendations for the serious consideration of Pan-Hellenic associations; and (b) to collect during the year a copy of the Pan-Hellenic rules from each association, these rules to be in-

corporated in a pamphlet for the instruction of Pan-Hellenic associations, and for printing in each of the Sorority journals.

Miss Smith was appointed to draw up a letter to be sent to alumnae clubs, telling them of the purpose of I. S. C., and urging their assistance in solving local Pan-Hellenic difficulties.

Mrs. Tennant was asked to make a summary of her report, to be included in this letter.

For the benefit of girls living in sorority houses, Mrs. Tennant will have a list of women who might be obtained as chaperones.

The Conference considered the application for membership in I. S. C. from Alpha Delta Phi Sorority, and instructed the chairman to inform them that they do not meet the requirements for membership.

Adjourned.

INTER-SORORITY CONFERENCE, THIRD SESSION.

After the annual luncheon of the I. S. C. delegates, the Conference convened in third session at 2 p. m.

Mrs. Lieb gave the report of the committee appointed to modify the wording of the constitution, making it read as follows:

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

The name of this organization shall be the **INTER-SORORITY CONFERENCE**.

ARTICLE II.—OBJECT.

The object of the Inter-Sorority Conference shall be to improve the methods of rushing and pledging, and to consider questions of general interest to the Sorority world.

ARTICLE III.—ORGANIZATION.

The Conference shall be composed of one delegate from each national Sorority represented.

ARTICLE IV.—ELIGIBILITY TO MEMBERSHIP.

No Sorority shall be represented in the Conference which has less than five chapters, or which has any chapter in an institution below collegiate rank.

ARTICLE V.—MEETINGS.

The Conference shall assemble annually, time and place of the following meeting to be arranged each year.

ARTICLE VI.—CALLING OF MEETINGS.

SECTION 1.—The meetings of the Conference shall be called by the Sororities in rotation.

SEC. 2. The official list shall be:

1. Pi Beta Phi.
2. Kappa Alpha Theta.
3. Kappa Kappa Gamma.
4. Delta Gamma.
5. Alpha Phi.
6. Gamma Phi Beta.
7. Alpha Chi Omega.
8. Delta Delta Delta.
9. Alpha Xi Delta.
10. Chi Omega.
11. Sigma Kappa.
12. Alpha Omicron Pi.

SEC. 3. Additions to official list shall be made in order of election to membership.

SEC. 4. The delegate from the Sorority calling the Conference shall act as chairman, and the delegate from the Sorority next in order shall act as secretary of the Conference, and shall continue in office until she calls the next Conference.

ARTICLE VII.—POWERS.

The powers of this organization shall be two-fold: First, to propose legislation to the Sororities; second, to act *upon request* as a standing court of appeal to settle local difficulties reported to it by the Sororities, or by the Pan-Hellenic Association.

ARTICLE VIII.—DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. Chairman: The chairman shall preside at the meetings.

SEC. 2. Secretary: The duties of the secretary shall be as follows:

She shall keep the minutes.

She shall send reports of the Conference, within two weeks

after adjournment, to the members of the Conference and to all Grand Secretaries of the Sororities represented in the Conference, for distribution to chapters and officers of their Sororities.

She shall issue questions proposed by the Conference to the Grand Secretaries for presentation to their Sororities and shall, upon receipt of the result, send notice of same to all Grand Secretaries.

She shall report all measures of Inter-Sorosity interest passed by any Grand Council, or by any convention, at once to the Conference.

She shall send to each Grand Secretary voting blanks for all motions submitted to the Sororities by the Conference.

She shall prepare the program of the next Conference meeting and the instructions to delegates, and shall issue the call for the next meeting.

She shall have power, *on application* from any Pan-Hellenic Association, to appoint a member of the Conference whose Sorosity interests are not involved in the question at issue, to investigate and arbitrate any difficulty arising in the Pan-Hellenic. Expenses of the one sent are to be paid by the local Pan-Hellenic.

ARTICLE IX.—METHODS OF PROCEDURE.

SECTION 1. Actions of Inter-Sorosity interest passed by any Grand Council or at any Grand Convention shall be reported at once to the secretary of the Conference, and also to the Grand Secretary of each Sorosity represented in the Conference.

SEC. 2. Suggestions offered by the Conference shall be submitted as soon as possible by the secretary to all the Grand Secretaries of the Sororities represented in the Conference. Voting blanks may be used for all motions submitted to the Sororities, and the result of the vote announced by each Grand Secretary to the secretary of the Conference within two months.

SEC. 3. The Conference secretary shall then announce the result to all Grand Councils and chapters. The motions that have received a unanimous vote of all the Sororities shall at once become binding upon all chapters, the Grand Councils being responsible for the observance.

ARTICLE X.—LEGISLATION.

Legislation enacted by a Sorosity at the suggestion of the Conference can be repealed or modified only by formal action of

the Sororities, who must follow the regular order of procedure (Art. IX). Legislation cannot be changed by any one Sorority, or by the Inter-Sorority Conference.

ARTICLE XI.—AMENDMENTS.

The constitution may be amended by a unanimous vote of all the Sororities represented in the Inter-Sorority Conference.

On balloting, each delegate voted in favor of adopting the constitution as presented, with the exception of Alpha Omicron Pi, who had not yet been instructed by her sorority.

In reporting the result of the vote on the High School Sorority question, Miss Holcombe announced that Motion I (that sororities in high schools and other secondary schools be discountenanced) had carried every sorority except Alpha Omicron Pi, who had been unable to give a definite vote, since the voting blanks did not reach her. Her delegate, however, reported that she concurred in Motion I. The vote on Motion II was not unanimous with the eleven fraternities heard from.

A motion was carried that a protest be formulated and sent to Mrs. Martin and Mr. Baird, asking them to use their influence against high school sororities, by inserting articles against these organizations in the next editions of their books. The editors of the different sorority magazines are urged in each issue to include articles discouraging high school sororities, and to omit all articles encouraging them.

The committee on recommendations made its report, which included all recommendations submitted by the various delegates in their reports.

The recommendation was adopted that in case of granting a dispensation, each Grand President shall notify the secretary of the I. S. C., who shall send official notification to the Pan-Hellenic asking the dispensation.

The I. S. C. recommends that the report of the Commissioner of Education be made the basis for the definition of "an institution below collegiate rank." (See Constitution, Art. IV.)

The Conference recommends that Deans of Women be encouraged to present to the I. S. C. matters of interest to college women.

The Conference authorized the secretary to have printed blanks whose use will lessen the difficulty in securing united action among the different sororities.

The Sixth Inter-Sorority Conference desires to emphasize in the report the request that the editors of sorority magazines exercise more care in sending exchanges to the grand officers of other sororities, and in sending them promptly. The recommendation that fraternity journals be sent to all chapters in colleges where the respective sororities are represented, was reconsidered, and the editors are now requested to send but one copy to each college where represented, this copy to be sent to the secretary of the Pan-Hellenic association.

Some music schools in universities where college sororities have chapters have entrance requirements lower than the literary colleges. The delegates discussed the right to initiate students in these music schools, but found no satisfactory solution for the problem.

The report of the committee on Pan-Hellenic recommendations was accepted. (For (a) see part II.)

Alpha Phi announced that their sorority had succeeded in copyrighting their badge.

A motion carried that each sorority be assessed \$5.00 for Inter-Sorority Conference expenses.

The Conference adjourned to meet in September, 1908.

ELDA L. SMITH, Pi Beta Phi,
Secretary Sixth Inter-Sorority Conference.

PART II.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RECOMMENDATIONS TO PAN-HELLENIC ASSOCIATIONS.

The committee has thought it best to incorporate in the secretary's report of the Sixth Annual Meeting of the Inter-Sorority Conference, the Model Constitution for Pan-Hellenic Associations, and to add to it the recommendations of the Conference.

MODEL CONSTITUTION FOR PAN-HELLENICS.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

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This Pan-Hellenic shall:

1. Fix the date of pledge day.
2. Regulate the rules for rushing.
3. Regulate other matters of Inter-Sorority interest in this college presented to it for consideration.
4. Co-operate with the college authorities and all college organizations in questions of general college interest.

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This Pan-Hellenic shall be composed of one active and one alumna member from each chapter of the National Sororities represented in the institution, and from such locals as they may see fit to admit.

ARTICLE IV.—OFFICERS.

Section 1. The officers of this Pan-Hellenic shall be: President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Sec. 2. The officers shall serve for one year, dating from the first meeting of the Pan-Hellenic after the Christmas holidays.

Sec. 3. The office of President shall be held in rotation by the chapters, in the order of their establishment as nationals in the college; the locals to hold office after the nationals in the order of their organization. A local becoming national shall take its place among the nationals according to the date of its installation as a national.

Sec. 4. The Secretary shall be chosen from the chapter which is to have the presidency the following year.

Sec. 5. The duties of the officers shall be those usually devolving upon such officers.

ARTICLE V.—VOTING.

A unanimous vote shall be necessary to fix the date for pledge day and to make rules regulating rushing.

ARTICLE VI.—AMENDMENTS.

This constitution can be amended by the unanimous vote of the Pan-Hellenic.

BY-LAWS.

I. The date of pledge day shall be the.....

II. It shall be considered dishonorable for a fraternity member, active or alumna, to speak disparagingly of another fraternity or one of its members to a rushee.

III. The constitution and by-laws of this Pan-Hellenic shall be printed not later than May 1st of each year and five (5) copies of the same shall be sent by each chapter to its Grand President.

IV. These By-Laws may be amended by the unanimous vote of the Pan.Hellenic.

The Conference would make the following recommendations to Pan-Hellenic Associations:

1. That special emphasis be placed upon Article III of the Model Constitution as printed above, urging that in every organization of Pan-Hellenics there be one active and one alumna member from each chapter, instead of two active members.

2. That there be regular meetings of the Pan-Hellenic, as often as once in two months, at least.

3. That invitations to the meetings be extended to the Deans of Women and Faculty Women.

4. That Pan-Hellenics give particular attention to Article II, Sec. 4 in the Model Constitution, and in the meetings extend their discussion to questions of general college interest. There might be discussion of such topics as The Promiscuous Wearing of Fraternity Pins, Chaperones of Sorority Houses, Incessant Calling at Sorority Houses, Lifting of Pledges, and Cribbing.

5. That complaints and difficulties in Pan-Hellenics be reported directly to the Grand Presidents, and settled by them when possible.

6. That a late pledge day be urged upon all chapters, preferably a sophomore pledge day.

LILLIAN W. THOMPSON, Gamma Phi Beta,

SARA B. MATTHEWS, Sigma Kappa,

Committee.

TOAST GIVEN BY LOUISE ERB AT MORGANTOWN CONVENTION.

THE TRI-COLOR.

Worthy Toastmistress, Sisters of Alpha Xi Delta, and Ladies:

My present feelings and state of mind are fully expressed by lines from Evangeline where the faithful and patient Acadiens are told, "Painful to me is the task that I do, which to you I know must be grievous."

However, abiding by time-honored customs, I will do as little Johnny did, in the story, at least. Johnny was being taught to express thanks when occasion demanded, and when he forgot, the other members of the family would ask: "What do you say, Johnny?" which would bring forth the desired answer. One evening Johnny and the young man who was to marry Johnny's sister were sitting on the porch and the young man said: "I guess I'll have to marry Sue and take her away with me. What do you say, johnny?" "Thank you," promptly replied Johnny. So I shall say, "Thank you for this opportunity of speaking for Theta Chapter of Alpha Xi Delta, and for that great State University of which not only Wisconsin but the whole Middle West is so justly proud."

The Tri-Color! How our hearts beat with renewed loyalty and devotion at the mere mention of the words, and how our eyes beam with pardonable pride as they fondly look again upon the beloved and harmonious colors which have been predominant the past few days, and which mean so much to us of Alpha Xi Delta. To us they have the radiance and beauty of the golden sunshine, the peace and serenity of skies of deepest blue, and a fore-taste of life in that land of eternal summers. And yet, are not these beautiful colors merely symbolical, and the thoughts and emotions awakened by them, but the results of association formed and lessons taught by their truer and nobler meaning? Is not our Fraternity itself but an exemplification of that great and grand spirit—that spirit which aims

to fraternalize the world and put into practical life the Christian doctrine of the Brotherhood of Man? I firmly believe that every fraternity worthy of the name must by its doctrine and teachings enrich and ennoble the lives of all honored by membership therein if they remain loyal and true to its precepts. But with the advantages and opportunities of fraternal life come also the temptations and tendencies which among students lead to snobbishness and mock exclusiveness. Whether wise or otherwise, the world judges us as it knows and sees us, and we derive but little credit for the noblest virtues if they be confined within the chapter house walls. Let us meet our fellow students and fellow workers in a spirit of equality; let us carry with us into our every day life a little of that fraternal spirit which has characterized this convention and made its meetings so harmonious and pleasant, and if we cannot do something to help and cheer along our sisters in the world at large let us at least be very careful not to do anything, either by word or deed, which will add to the trials and burdens of those whose lot is already hard to bear. I believe that I have pictured the true Tri-Color Girl, and to her I would say:

“They may drink to her eyes, her lips, and her hair,
Her form divine, her distinguished air;
But here’s to the girl with a heart and a smile,
Who makes this plain, everyday life worth while.”

And now in close I would leave with you these thoughts:

Here’s to the Tri-Color with its gold and its blue,
Here’s to its precepts so noble and true;
Long may it wave o’er East and o’er West,
O’er thousands of sisters by membership blest;
Bound by ties no time shall e’er sever,
May the Tri-Color live in our hearts forever.

DELTA GAMMA.

Delta Gamma is one of the oldest of the Greek letter societies for women, having been founded at the University of Mississippi in January, 1874.

The legislative and judicial powers of the fraternity are vested in a council and a convention. The council consists of five members, viz: President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, of the fraternity, *ex-officio*, and the editor of the fraternity paper. The convention meets biennially, and is composed of one delegate from each collegiate chapter, the members of the council and the secretary of the convention. When the convention is not in session, its powers are vested in the council, but with the understanding that the convention shall have the ultimate control of all fraternity affairs.

The sorority journal is called the "ANCHORA," and was first published in 1884, under the management of the Eta chapter. Soon after it was placed under the control of the Lambda chapter, but it is now controlled by the chapter at the Woman's College at Baltimore, Maryland.

The badge is an anchor, upon the shank of which is a white enamel shield bearing the gold letters "Delta Gamma," while on the cross bar, also of enamel, are the letters "Tau, Delta, and Eta." The pledge pin is a white enamel shield upon which are the letters "Pi Alpha." The sorority colors are bronze, blue and pink, and the flower is the cream colored rose.

Following is a list of chapters:

University of Mississippi,
Buchtel College,
University of Wisconsin,
Mt. Union College,
Northwestern University,
Albion College,
Cornell University,
University of Michigan,
University of Colorado,
University of Iowa,
University of Nebraska,
Woman's College of Baltimore,
Leland Stanford, Jr., University,
University of Indiana,
Syracuse University,
Washington State University,
University of California.

THE RETURN OF SPRING.

One stormy winter afternoon
Two robins came, it seemed too soon,
From a southern land, and station took
On a maple branch beside the brook.
North they had flown to build a nest
For the birds that soon within would rest,
Bringing the news in joyful lay
That soon Queen Spring would pass that way.
When Mother Nature heard their song
She passed the welcome word along;
The news was spread and plant and tree
Began to chant a melody—
The song of the sap as it steadily flows
With promise fair for leaf and rose.
Then Mother Nature made demand
On wind and rain to scour the land,
And sent her sunbeam fairies out
To wake the flowers with gladsome shout.
A few weeks pass and March winds blow,
Now boisterously, now soft and low;
Then the blue birds come on swiftest wing,
The heralds of approaching Spring.
A hush of expectation fell
On nature's children in the dell;
They waited through the silent night,
Impatient for the morning light.
As eastern clouds began to blush,
And change from gray to faint pink flush,
And then to gold and crimson flame,
Down through the wood and field Spring came.
She stood beneath the maple tree
And raised her hand in sweet decree;
The sun's long rays shone o'er the hill,
And while the birds did lilt and trill,
The flowers, the buds, and each green thing,
Lifted their heads to welcome Spring.

Mary Gentry Cornett, Delta.

AN OLD LANDMARK.

To the tourist who visited the Jamestown Exposition, with its neighboring points of interest, perhaps no side trip proved so interesting as that to the town of Hampton, Va. Hampton was the Indian village, Kecoughtan, when the English came to America, and is the oldest continuous settlement of Englishmen in the new world.

One of the first places visited by our party in Hampton was the old St. John's church, one of the most ancient and historic landmarks of the village.

While waiting for the sexton to come and show us through the church, we wandered about in the churchyard. Here many gravestones gave evidence of the great age of the burying-ground, several bearing dates of the eighteenth century. One in particular proved interesting, as it declared that the person had departed this life November 31st, 1733. It is a question as to who made the error.

Presently the sexton arrived, and he proved to be an old colored man who had filled the office for a good many years.

He told us, among other things, that the church had been built in 1660, and used as a house of worship by the early settlers. During the war of 1812, Hampton was sacked, and the church used as a barracks by the enemy. At one time the roof was off, the walls broken down, and a public highway ran east and west through the middle of the church. It was nearly in ruins, but in 1830 it was restored and consecrated by Bishop Moore. Such was the interesting history that he gave us, and he further pointed to the beautiful stained glass windows, one commemorating the baptism of the Indian maiden, Pocohontas, (this being the church where that interesting event took place), while the other window was in commemoration of the arrival of the first settlers.

Four of the original tiles from the floor, brought over from England in 1610, were inspected and handled by each of the party. Each of us sat in the pew where it was said President Tyler worshipped.

Effie M. Allott, Gamma.

A GLIMPSE OF "DORM" LIFE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON.

"Oh, Betty" and Nell dropped into the one empty chair and gazed woefully at the bare walls and the unsightly floors covered with trunks and boxes. "College only two days off and "Open Dorm" next Saturday. We will have to work. You don't know what "Open Dorm" is? Well, when about everybody on the campus has come into your room and looked and looked, you'll know, Hurrah! I've an inspiration—two cans of paint will do it. Wait a minute, let me think. Where is that suit case, it's about a yard long, isn't it? There, I knew it. Ten yards of green burlap around that wall will make an abode fit for a king. Cheer up, Freshie, wait until you've lived at the "Dorm" four years. Let's go for paint.

There, pin your dress this way. Now to make this room—why, Betty, this isn't the green we wanted. Well, the rug covers most of the floor anyway. There, this is finished. It surely looks like green meadows, doesn't it? Mine looks a little more luxuriant than yours, but that's because I'm used to it. Did you ever paint before? Water colors, I see! Just hand me that oil bottle, will you? All gone—Betty, what shall we do? Gasoline—it might do, let's try it. Oh dear, it's turned the stuff yellow; it has a green tinge anyway, so it will have to do. Hire a painter? Of course not. That isn't "Dorm" style. We've simply got to have some oil—let me think—coal oil—I wonder. There, wait a minute (she peeks cautiously out of the door and down the corridor) I wonder where "Anne" is? Hah, I've an inspiration. I'll be back in a jiffy.

Don't look so shocked, I did find some in that little closet down the hall. Whose lamp? "Anne's" I guess. Anne who? Oh, I forgot. The matron's, of course. There, you stir and I'll empty this lamp. This oil work's fine.

Good, we're through; let's get dressed and do some calling. Maybe we can take a few notes and do some thinking; we'll need some when it comes to arranging one couch, one Morris chair, two rockers, two desks, two chafing dishes, one book-

case, one dish rack, and what not in this little two by four "cubby." Perhaps we can find some new way to arrange the pennants and pictures. You aren't the proud possessor of a hammer, are you? This putting up pennants is a little hard on one's shoes and books. You have. Good, we'll be the most popular suite in the "Dorm." Come on, don't forget to hop across the paint; nothing like taking physical exercise in your own sanctum, is there?

"Hello, Freshie, what is so interesting? Oh, ho! (reads the poster)

Know ye faculty and students all,
There's "Open Dorm" in the girls hall
On Saturday eve from eight to ten,
Come one, come all, ye women and men!

Hurrah for tonight. We haven't half enough fudge or dates; here's a couple more pounds to be stuffed. Ethel is going to have wafers, and Belle, nuts—they'll surely have a variety before they visit thirty rooms.

Tell you what they do? First comes the reception; then the girls show everybody through the rooms. Have you seen room six yet? Say, it's great; they only have four writing desks and three chafing dish tables lined up against the wall. You had better go up and laugh now and not disgrace yourself tonight. How people do gaze at the "double deckers," almost as much as you did. Do you remember how you declared that you would never sleep in the upper bed? You can tell the visitors how original we are, but don't breathe that we're crowded. After the people have been through all the rooms, then comes the dance at the "gym." Yes, of course, the faculty come. Nobody in college would dream of missing "Open Dorm." Just wait until to-morrow, you'll know why.

Oh, Betty, there's the "wunk," and only fifteen minutes more of light left; where did we put those candles? Let's celebrate and use the red ones tonight. When are the girls coming, just after the lights are out? Did you tell the girls in number six to bring a cup and saucer apiece? Let's study until the lights go out, this psychology is desperation. I've read it over four times already. Now I'll—there goes that light!

(a knock) Come in, who is it? Helen? Just a minute, I'll get a light—where, O, where, are those matches? Freshie, be a nice lady and run down the hall and borrow some, I can't find ours. You see we always keep them in the sugar bowl; this spread changed the geography of some things. Oh say, that is good news. Anne at the theatre, she can't possibly get back before twelve. Hurrah, here come the girls, let's sing "Boola." They don't know that Anne is gone and will expect her to swoop down on us.

"Oskeywow wow, whiskey wee wee,
Holy muckei, holy varseti,
Washingtonei, Washington."

Step right in girls and find a seat; we've carefully moved all our valuables in anticipation. You'll find Apollo calmly reposing in the next room. You'll all have to work, so we might just as well begin now. These are the nuts to crack (we did manage to borrow two crackers. That will be so much easier than using the door, won't it?) Helen, you make the chocolate, and some one cut the cake. Bess simply must make the panoche. We've got the sandwiches all ready, and I won't tell what else. Don't you like the faint glow of these candles? We do. Don't look so distressed, Freshie, they can't possibly see the dust under the bookcase, or the waste paper basket under the bed in the next room, or the face powder you bought yesterday.

There hold your cups for some chocolate. Now, Freshie, it is time to bring that mysterious box you've so cleverly concealed under the couch; too bad that happened to be the place where I hide my German "dic" from the girls in number six. Now, girls, let's have a song and every one fall to and enjoy herself, college comes but once.

"All hail, O Washington,
Thy sons and daughters sing glad acclaim,
Through years of youth and loyalty;
And still in age we sing thy fame.
In honor thy towers stand,
Thy battlements shine in dawning light
And glow again in sunset ray
All hail O Washington."

Marion Schneider, '07-Nu.

CONSTITUTION
OF THE
PAN-HELLENIC ASSOCIATION OF THE UNIVERSITY
OF ILLINOIS.

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

The name of this organization shall be the **PAN-HELLENIC ASSOCIATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.**

ARTICLE II.—PURPOSE.

This Pan-Hellenic shall:

1. Fix the date of pledge day.
2. Regulate the rules for rushing.
3. Regulate other matters of Inter-Sorority interest in this University presented to it for consideration.
4. Cooperate with the university authorities and all university organizations in questions of general university interest.

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This Pan-Hellenic shall be composed of two active members from each chapter of the National Sororities represented in the institution and from such locals as they may see fit to admit.

ARTICLE IV.—OFFICERS.

Section 1. The officers of this Pan-Hellenic shall be: President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Sec. 2. The officers shall serve for one year, dating from the first meeting of the Pan-Hellenic after the first meeting in May.

Sec. 3. The office of President shall be held in rotation by the chapters, in the order of their establishment as Nationals in the University; the locals to hold office after the Nationals in the order of their organization. A local becoming National shall take its place among the Nationals according to the date of its installation as a National.

Sec. 4. The Secretary shall be chosen from the chapter which is to have the presidency the following year.

Sec. 5. The duties of the officers shall be those usually devolving upon such officers.

ARTICLE V.—VOTING.

A majority vote shall be necessary to fix the date for pledge day, make rules regulating rushing, and the adoption of by-laws.

ARTICLE VI.—AMENDMENTS.

This Constitution can be amended by the unanimous vote of the Pan-Hellenic.

ARTICLE VII.—BY-LAWS.

Sec. 1. By-laws shall be adopted (or re-adopted) at the meeting held the first week in May.

Sec. 2. The by-laws shall be in force for one year only from the date of their adoption, unless re-adopted.

BY-LAWS

OF

THE PAN-HELLENIC ASSOCIATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS
FOR 1907-08.

1. The date of pledge day shall be Tuesday, the first day of October, 1907.

2. There shall be no rushing restrictions or limitations the first week of rushing, that is, from the 16th day of September to the 21st day of September, 1907, inclusive.

3. There shall be no rushing after 8 p. m. on the 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th and 29th, of September, 1907; nor before 8 a. m. on the 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th and 30th, of September, 1907.

4. All rushing shall cease at 4 o'clock p. m., on Monday, the 30th of September, 1907.

5. Written invitations shall be mailed not earlier than 4 o'clock p. m., Monday, September 30th, 1907.

6. Invitations shall not be answered earlier than Tuesday noon, October 1st, 1907.

7. No member of a chapter shall talk to a rushee in regard to an invitation extended, except at the place appointed by the invitation, or upon request of the rushee. This limitation shall be in force until 12 o'clock, noon, Tuesday, the 8th of October, 1907.

8. Sisters of active members may be pledged upon date of matriculation.

9. Sisters of inactive members, and first cousins of active members may be pledged upon special dispensation of the council of the local Pan-Hellenic Association.

AN EARLY BREAKFAST.

An informal but successful rushing "stunt" was an early morning breakfast down the notorious "K" line. Rushers and rushees started about 5:30 one glorious, crisp, fall morning, armed with cooking utensils and well filled baskets. We walked about two miles down the railroad track, and stopping at "the spring," a well sheltered nook, built a stove out of rocks and cooked our breakfast. Beefsteak, fried eggs and hot coffee never tasted better. After breakfast we had a jolly time singing songs and toasting marshmallows around the fire.

We then walked back, reaching the campus just in time for the eight o'clock bell, all in the best of spirits and ready for our day's work.

Mabel Duncan, Beta.

A MINSTREL SHOW.

One of the best rushing parties we ever had was at the end of a long rushing season. We knew the Freshmen girls very well by that time, and so thought it quite proper to give a minstrel show.

The Freshmen were brought to the Chapter House by the city girls. There they were supplied with opera glasses in the shape of button hooks and napkin rings, while scarfs and kimonas were used as evening coats.

When the Freshies were all ready they were ushered down stairs and given seats in the "entresol" in the library.

The entertainment opened with music by a comb orchestra, with piano accompaniment, given by three of the girls. They were encored several times, then in came the minstrels, singing a medley of popular songs.

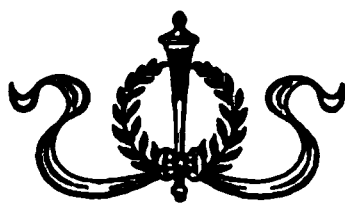
The minstrels were dressed in gymnasium bloomers and white Peter Pan waists, with large red ties. Red ribbons

were tied in their kinky wool, which not long before had reposed in a mattress factory. Burnt cork had done wonders for the faces and hands of all but one of the girls, and shoe blacking made her shine in many ways. Her favorite resort was near the open window, in order that the color might not run.

One of the girls was not dressed as a minstrel, but acted as an interlocutor. The minstrels sat in a semi-circle, and on each end were two girls who played tambourines. They sang songs, cracked jokes, and one of the girls danced a clog dance. Solos were sung by "Melba," "Nordica" and others.

Afterwards we cleared the rooms, danced and had refreshments. Altogether it was one of the most successful parties we have ever given.

Helen L. Truair, Etc.



EVERY DAY COUNCIL

THE IDEAL SORORITY GIRL

A sorority in any college is judged by the standard maintained by the chapter located in that college. The success of the chapter depends upon the united efforts of each and every member of that chapter. Naturally in every chapter there are girls who appear stronger in every way than others. But a girl may be a good student, may win all the honors, and yet her influence not be as far reaching as that of the girl who always has a kindly word, a pleasant smile for the homesick girl, who, although perhaps possessed of sterling qualities, through her natural reserve, or lack of push has not been bidden by the almighty Greek. A girl who is popular with the "Barb" element as well as with her Sorority sister, and has done everything in her power for the upbuilding of her chapter, has, I think, upheld the principles set forth by our founders.

On the other hand, the girl who begins to feel her importance the moment she is pledged and allows that feeling to grow and prosper until she becomes what is commonly called "a frat snob" can tear down in a short time all that her sisters have striven so hard to build up. The girl who in her zeal for the advancement and upbuilding of the sorority of her choice makes mistakes, is much more preferred to the girl who either from lack of interest or from having allowed selfish interests to completely overshadow this one to which she has pledged her fidelity, views the situation from afar and condemns the mistakes of others.

Let us look back over some of our mistakes—we have all made them—otherwise we would not be human.

The first and most important is I think caused from the evil of bidding too soon. Until the Inter-Sorority laws are in full power, the only way we can remedy this is not only by embracing every opportunity but by making opportunities to become acquainted with the prospective Greek.

Sceondly, every girl should feel absolutely free to give voice

to her ideas on every important question discussed at frat meetings. How often you hear a girl say after a mistake has been discovered, "Well, I for one was very much against that in the first place." If she had only voiced her sentiments before instead of after, how much unpleasantness might have been avoided. But when we discover our error let us stand by the consequences and do our best to rectify it.

There are some girls who come to meetings regularly, pay their dues, who work well on a committee, and think this is the end of loyalty. These things, of course, are very necessary, yet if they go no farther than this they have lost the deeper meaning of fraternity life. Until a girl gives her love to all the other member and is willing to sacrifice something to help them, she cannot be truly loyal.

The older we grow the more prone we are to look backward. How much pleasanter then will our memories be if we cheerfully perform every duty and strive to fulfill the vows so solemnly yet so joyfully taken. The past is no longer yours, but the present is with you, and the future lies before you. They are yours to make or to mar. Which shall it be.

Marian Wrigley, Alpha

ORGANIZATION AND SPIRIT

It is a well known fact that in striving for a strong organization, in efforts to make the machinery run smoothly, the spirit of the society, club, or union is sometimes lessened. It matters not what organization we examine, we find this danger, if not apparent, at least present. Without organization success is impossible but the spirit is the real life.

Our sorority is young and we are becoming better organized each year, both in our local and in our national life. As the years advance our life will become more complex, our interests broader, and to keep in touch with this wider life our organization must needs be strengthened and developed.

Even now in our local chapters let us begin to guard the true spirit of our sorority. Our principles are greater and of more lasting good than mere growth; our ideals of more importance than the enthusiasm of a group of girls. Do we always keep in

mind the principles of our sisterhood? Not only to the sisters of our chapters, not only to our national sisters should we exercise these ideals, but in daily service our life should speak of them to all women.

With ideals such as Alpha Xi Delta holds, progress more than material will surely be made. In our advancement may the worthiest purpose and the truest spirit go hand in hand with the organization and the detail work. Then fear of failure need never be entertained. Our sorority then will never become merely a union of congenial girls, but a sisterhood purposeful, and broad, whose members because of deep friendships formed, to all women shall become more kind, more just, more true.

Helen Coe, Beta

A FRAT GIRL'S RESPONSIBILITY TO HER COLLEGE

The individual responsibility of every college girl to her alma mater is a serious matter, and with a frat girl the question takes on a new aspect.

There are some students who "go through college" without being a factor in real college life, or realizing that the benefits they enjoy demand something from them in return. I am sure no Alpha is of this "take but not give" type but we are all in danger of failing to realize the proper weight of the debt of love and gratitude we owe to our college. It is needless to say that we can only repay what has been done for us by passing the benefits on to others.

The very fact that she is a sorority girl makes a shade of difference in a girl's duty to her college. Almost invariably the sororities contain the strongest girls of the college, and thus by the old rule of noblesse oblige these girls as the ones who should lead in all college activities. We may be strong in different ways but there is a place for each of us in the varied phases of college life.

I do not mean that loyalty to our sorority should diminish—far from it! but it should not crowd out loyalty to our school. We certainly would never wish anyone to say of us, "O, don't ask her. She doesn't care for anything but frat." Neither do

we want to be the type of girl who is always ready to accept responsibility for the honor it brings whether she be equal to it or not. We can usually see that in such a case perseverance not ability is lacking. So if we view our responsibility in the light of our ability and with a reasonable amount of "stick-to-itiveness" we will find that the tasks which present themselves are not too great for us.

Then let us look fairly at our duties and take up "the frat girl's burden" as leaders in college activities. And while with added fervor we "swing the Alpha banner high" let us not forget to wave beside it the banners of our college.

Alice Cheney, Beta

SORORITY RETURNS

Every girl who joins a sorority does so with the object of gaining something from it. She expects to gain social position or friends, or to better herself in some way. But how does she expect to do it? She cannot hope to attain these things by merely paying her dues and keeping in good standing. To gain the most possible from the sorority she must put her best self into it. The business man who expects his business to succeed does not merely invest his money and then stand back and look on while his business grows. He works and works hard, uses his mind and time and has the satisfaction of seeing his business increase by his efforts.

The sorority girl must do likewise. She must use her time and brain to devise ways and means of helping her sorority. By working for the sorority as a whole she helps her sisters individually and also herself. It is not merely the result of her work, but the putting forth of strong effort with a high aim in view which has its greatest effect in the girl herself. It gives her energy, strength, and independence which she would not be able to gain by passively watching others work. We get no more from our sorority than we put into it. It is a transformer of earnest effort into good to ourselves and sisters.

Mary A. Smith, Nu

EDITORIALS

To our editor-in-chief we extend heartiest congratulations and best wishes, for we shall know her hereafter as Martha Hutchings-McKean. The inability of Persis Hannah to accept the place of associate editor on the ALPHA XI DELTA staff is deeply regretted. Since coming into the bonds she has been untiring in her efforts, but overwork and poor health have made it impossible for her to accept the appointment. We are glad to welcome Edith Lawrence to our number.



Apologies are due on the part of the present associate editor for all errors in this issue of ALPHA XI DELTA. She trusts to the forgiving spirit of all Alpha's for pardon. Changes on the staff and changes of address have caused unavoidable confusion. She wishes to thank her sisters for the aid they have so willingly given.

The material for the May issue should be sent to our editor-in-chief at Newberry, Pa.



We wish to call special attention to the Report of the Sixth Inter-Sorority Conference printed in this number. In some of our colleges there seems to be a lack of knowledge in regard to this association. It is already doing a good work and we are sure there is a great future in store for it. Our Grand President will enlighten us on some points about this organization in the May issue.

We also publish a copy of the constitution of the Pan-Hellenic Association of the University of Illinois. It is very similar to the constitutions in other colleges where Pan-Hellenic associations exist. We hope it may be a help to those girls who live in colleges where no associations have yet been formed. Letters telling of advantages and disadvantages from these rules come to us but in each case the advantages seem to outweigh. The

criticism for the Illinois Pan-Hellenic is the short time allotted to rushing. It has made heavy expense, worn out girls and resulted in hasty choosing. If, however, the time given for rushing extends over several weeks, and "rushing" is set to a slower pace, the benefits of Pan-Hellenic are fully realized. Even waiting until the beginning of the Sophomore year for pledging is favored, for then the Freshmen have a chance to *know* the sorority girls and vice versa. Hence, the evil results of hasty pledging are eliminated. On the other hand, the Freshmen are deprived of one of the happiest and most profitable years of their lives in the chapter house. We shall be glad to have our sisters express their opinion on the time limit for rushing.



There is a treat in store for the May issue. We had hoped to become better acquainted with our Grand Officers through sketches and photos in this number. We must be content with the pleasure of anticipation for a few weeks longer.



Founder's Day! Does it seem possible that soon another year in the history of Alpha Xi Delta will have rolled by? We have gained strength not only in numbers but in spirit and organization. May the new sorority year show forth even more advancement for us than the one just passing.

Naturally, on April seventeenth, we look backward as well as forward and think of the group of girls who worked and made our sorority possible. We are glad to hear in this number of the infancy of Alpha Chapter.



The exchange list is still incomplete. All exchanges have been notified of the addresses of our staff. We would be duly grateful if editors would notify our associate editor if the ALPHA XI DELTA is not received. Furthermore, the custom of sending exchanges to the Inter-Sorority Conference delegates seems to be neglected. This department of work is an important one, as it is the most direct way of bringing the fraternal world together.

EXCHANGES

EXCHANGE EDITOR, . . . GERTRUDE E. WRIGHT.

[Editors are requested to note changes in Alpha Xi Delta's list. Exchanges are requested to send one copy to each of the following :

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We regret that the exchange list is still incomplete. We gratefully acknowledge the following publications, calling attention to a few of the many interesting and instructive articles :

Gamma Phi Beta:

October—Contains program of the 23rd Annual Convention.

November—This number follows with an interesting account of the Convention in Syracuse. An article on the management of "The Chapter House" gives many good suggestions.

Kappa Alpha Theata:

January—The Honor System.

The editor has been much interested in collecting the foregoing articles on the Honor System. With the exceptions of Yale, the University of Vermont, and Washington University, St. Louis, we have found no instance where the system once tried, has been abandoned. In two of these three institutions the reason for abandoning it have been the same, i. e., that the student espionage was objectionable. Where the system has been a success there is little such espionage, but upon the sentiment of the student body rests the effectiveness of the system. We wish that in every college, as at Princeton, student public sentiment would decree that no student could do dishonest work in an examination and remain in college.

The fraternities, because of a strong organization, are in a position to create such a sentiment. Let us first see to it, that, individually, as fraternity women, we are ourselves above suspicion; then, through local Pan-Hellenics or other organizations use our utmost influence to secure, if not the honor system, a spirit of honor which shall utterly forbid dishonesty not only in examinations but in all class of work as well. In the college we must surely have progressed beyond the point where the spirit of "getting ahead of the teacher prevails."

That the honor system is being so generally agitated shows we believe that student bodies are gaining in self-respect and in realization of the ultimate purpose of their college life. Dishonest college work is no longer a jest.

The Arrow :

This interesting information follows a thorough and keen review of President Seelye's attack upon women fraternities :

President Seelye also says that in the leading women's colleges of the day sororities do not exist and would not be permitted, because they are not needed and would seriously interfere with the social ideal.

This last point is of especial interest, coming, as it does, from the president of the largest women's college. A good many years ago, when the college dormitories provided ample accommodations for all Smith students, there did exist an ideal communal life. In recent years, however, the number of new buildings has failed to keep pace with the increased number of students, many of whom, under present conditions, are forced to find board and lodging in private families. It is interesting to note that under these, similar in some respects at least, to those that Dr. Seelye says encouraged the formation of the first sororities, some of the Smith students, despite faculty opposition, have resorted to the sorority plan. One of the organizations, Delta Sigma, is of several years standing, possesses a goodly membership among the alumnae, and has recently erected a luxurious chapter house. Smith is not the only large woman's college which thus gives an ocular demonstration of the fraternity tendency. In others, where it is impossible for all the students to be accommodated in the college houses, the same movement is on foot. The president of one of these, instead of frowning upon the growing sentiment, gives a guarded answer to all requests for permission to seek a national charter in the words : "The time is not yet ripe."

SUGGESTED CHANGES IN THE SOCIAL LIFE OF WISCONSIN

The Madison Alumnae Pan-Hellenic Association met in April, 1907, to discuss the benefits of a late pledge-day and a different system of rushing. They considered especially interscholastic rushing, which always accompanies the state high schools' athletic meet, held in May at Madison. They found themselves diametrically opposed to each other on vital points ; but as a result of their discussion, certain members began an investigation of college social life in fraternity circles at Wisconsin and other institutions. With this information the alumnae drew up a set of resolutions in June ; and each alumna sent a copy to the active members of her own fraternity chapter. In this action the alumnae have desired to express their feeling of responsibility for existing social conditions, rather than any censure upon the college girls.

Each fraternity is considering these resolutions, not without heated argument, but with a certain amount of approval and interest. Each will submit to the alumnae written conclusions, expressing its attitude toward the suggestions, with the hope that the students

and alumnæ may compromise in a way which will better, in some degree, the present social conditions here. Psi is happy to find little in these resolutions not already covered by her house rules or the spirit of the chapter, and she is deeply interested in hearing what other institutions are doing about the same questions.

The Elusis of the Omega:

November—"Randolph Macon;" "An Indian Tradition of Maine;" "The Skull," a story.

Sigma Kappa Triangle:

September—"Sigma Kappa's Ideals," "Life at Colby," "College Life at the Hub."

Alpha Phi Quarterly:

November—"Why Not," "Sparks From Many Forges."

Trident of Delta Delta Delta:

November—This contains an article about Mrs. Ida Shaw Martin, author of "The Sorority Hand Book," herself a founder of Delta, Delta, Delta. Also an interesting article about the Inter-Sorority Conference and a personal word about the delegates to the conference. The delegates undoubtedly enjoyed the pen pictures of themselves given by Miss Fitch, the editor of the Trident, who had not been successful in obtaining a kodak picture of the ladies. A suspicion has crept in that the "large feathered hat (referred to by Miss Fitch as the principal feature of the attempted picture surrounded by a halo of lace curtain) belonged to the Alpha Xi Delta delegate.

The Trident contains also, "A Novel Christmas in India."

Lyre of Alpha Chi Omega:

January—The University of Nebraska and an account of the installation of Xi Chapter there at Thanksgiving.

Phi Kappa Psi:

Alpha Chi Rho:

SOME AMERICAN COLLEGE BOYS

By Cameron Mackenzie

The following article from *McClure's* will undoubtedly be of interest to our readers:

Between two and five o'clock on the morning of Friday, December 7, 1906, the house occupied by the Chi Psi fraternity of Cornell University was destroyed by fire. Four members of the fraternity were burned to death and three members of the volunteer fire department of the city were killed by a falling wall; several other students were severely burned; and the building,* which was the finest fraternity house in the world, was reduced to ruins.

After the fire, the alumni of the chapter obtained from the survivors independent written statements of their experiences. These statements, in most cases, were written under stress of strong emotion, within a few hours after the boys had escaped from the building. As a result they have a singular vividness and are full of unconscious expressions that are peculiarly illuminating and self-revealing. Moreover, these documents portray so much presence of mind, self-sacrifice, and matter-of-fact heroism that an account of the fire and some of the incidents, as they appear in these narratives, seems deserving of record.

Upon the night of the fire there were twenty-six boys sleeping in the fraternity house. Seven of these were on the second floor, fourteen on the third floor, and five on the fourth floor. Of those on the fourth floor, two were beneath a tower and a trifle above the floor proper.

PREDICAMENT OF THE BOYS

The fire originated on the first floor. Its cause is not known, but before the alarm was given it had mounted to the third story and cut off escape by staircases, so that the boys found themselves almost trapped. They were compelled either to leap from the windows or else to flee to the roof and from there, by such means as were accessible, climb down. Both means of escape were dangerous. To jump meant certain injury, and in taking refuge on the top of the house the boys had to traverse gutters and roofs, which at the time were wet and slippery with snow. Moreover, this latter means of escape was shut off soon after the blaze was discovered. The fraternity house was constructed with a large skylight in the center. A strong north-west wind was blowing, bringing with it flurries of snow, and this wind,

*The Chi Psi fraternity house was built for Mrs. Jennie McGraw-Fiske, the wife of Professor Fiske, the librarian of Cornell University, at a cost of about \$130,000. The building was started in 1879, at about the time of Mrs. Fiske's marriage. The year following Mr. and Mrs. Fiske spent traveling in Europe, where they collected a great number of art treasures for the house in Ithaca. Practically all the interior woodwork of the first floor was purchased abroad, and the woodwork of the library alone cost \$10,000. The property passed to the McGraw estate upon Mrs. Fiske's death in 1880, and remained unoccupied until 1896, when the Chi Psi fraternity obtained possession of it.

fanning the flames, caused the skylight to act as a chimney. Within an incredibly short time the halls and stairway, through the entire height of the building, were ablaze. To add to the plight of the boys, the engines and ladders of the city fire department, retarded by the steep hill leading to the college grounds, did not arrive until more than an hour after the alarm had been given.

COOLNESS OF THE BOYS

The coolness of the members of the fraternity when they realized their danger was surprising. Many of them record instances in which they opened doors and were met by a rush of flame and smoke. In every case they paused long enough to close the doors they had opened, though in many instances the knobs were red hot. Several of them tell of feeling their way to the telephone to send out the alarm. One boy, Joseph Pew, felt his way, while the halls and the rooms on all sides of him were filled with smoke or else already blazing, into the library, art-gallery, breakfast-room, and drawing-room, trying all the windows to make sure they were closed and not causing a draft.

The boys on the second floor got out without much injury. Their peril was far less than that of the occupants of rooms on the floors above, and only one of them was severely injured. This boy was Ray R. Powers, a senior, from Atlanta, Georgia. He was sleeping in a room with three other seniors, Sailor, Dyer, and Bowes, and was the first to awaken. Bowes, in his account, said that Powers, as soon as he was out of bed, shouted to the others to follow him.

"He reached the door first," the statement goes on, "and I was second. We opened the door, and, although the hall and stairs were a mass of flames, we started to go to the front of the house. He took about three steps, and I took about one outside the door, and then Powers told me to go back. I went back and held the door until he came in, and then closed it. Powers walked to the north window and said:

"'Fellows, tie those blankets. My hands are burnt'"

"Dyer tied two sheets together, while Sailor and I threw mattresses out of the window. The sheets were tied to the bed, and then Powers said:

"'I will go first to see if it will hold.'

"He slid as far down the sheets as possible, and then jumped to the mattresses."

POWERS' PLUCK

When Powers had seen his three room-mates safely out, he started to help place a ladder on another side of the house, but found that he was unable to hold it; his hands and face had been terribly burned when he had started down the hall. From the accounts of others, it seems that all the while he was superintending the escape of his three room-mates, sliding down the rope, and going to help with the ladder, his skin was hanging from his face and from the tips of his fingers in strips, and his entire forearm had been peeled bare. Without assistance, he walked to the Phi Kappa Psi House near by. When the physicians came to him, he told them to leave him and help some one who was more severely hurt.

At the same time, two boys directly above Powers and his room-mates were attempting to make their escape in the same manner. These boys were Clarence R. Andrews, a junior, and W. W. Goetz, a sophomore. They roomed together on the third floor. When Andrews heard the alarm, he tied two blankets together and within a minute or so had reached the ground in safety. With a crowd of others, he looked up. Dense smoke almost hid Goetz from view, but the boys below caught a glimpse of him leaning out of the window that Andrews had just left.

"We cried to him to come down the same way as I," Andrews' statement continues, "but he yelled back that the blankets had fallen, and so we yelled to him to jump into the blanket we were holding."

It was impossible for Goetz to see exactly where the blanket was. All he was able to distinguish was a group of fellows in a close knot below him.

"He did not care to jump out, for fear of landing on one of us," said Andrews, "so he jumped close to the building, and barely touched the blanket. He struck pretty much on his hip."

A THRILLING CLIMB

Events were now following one another swiftly. While Goetz and Andrews were escaping, six freshmen who had taken refuge on the third floor were making a perilous climb on another side of the house. One by one, these boys, in their night-clothes and numb with cold, were creeping in the darkness, for a distance of twenty feet, around a slippery three-inch ledge sixty feet above the ground. Every one of them reached the end in safety and by successive jumps, gained a balcony, from where they dropped to the porch roof and thence to the ground.

As the last of them left the balcony, another boy came sliding down the roof and made the jump to the third-floor balcony on the front side of the house. This was C. J. Pope, a freshman, from East Orange, New Jersey, who had been sleeping in the tower room above the third floor. When he heard the alarm, he burst through the door of his room. Smoke overcame him, and he fell down a short flight of stairs leading from his door to the level of the third floor. The fall and the heat of the flames overcame him, and by the time he reached the balcony he was in a half-dazed condition.

POPE'S SECOND ATTEMPT TO RESCUE MCCUTCHEON

In a room off the balcony two boys were sleeping—James McCutcheon, a sophomore, from Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, and Harry M. Curry, also a sophomore and from Pittsburg. It occurred to Pope that these boys might not have been roused. He shouted to them, and at the same time pushed his hand through the window-pane and pulled a sheet from Curry's bed with which to descend to the porch. In a second more Curry had come diving through the window. He struck his head on a stone railing, and lay stunned on the balcony. McCutcheon did not follow. Pope peered into the room, and saw him stumbling toward the door and apparently into the hall. He gave the sheet which he had got hold of to a third boy, who by this time had appeared on the balcony, and started to crawl into the room through the

hole in the window-pane. The broken glass, however, caught him, and smoke almost suffocated him. Curry lay inert on the balcony; the other boy had gone down by the sheet to the porch roof below.

When Pope turned to make a second attempt to reach McCutcheon, he found the room ablaze. All that saved his life when he went in was a sweater vest he had on. "That last time I tried to reach McCutcheon," wrote Pope, "I succeeded in reaching him, and, locking my arms around his knees, tried to drag him to the opening."

That is all he remembered. Not until he was in mid-air, and about to strike the roof of the porch, did consciousness return. "I only remember being about to strike the porch. First my feet, then my knees struck, and I do not recall anything else until I got almost to the Phi Kappa Psi House."

What had happened was that the boy, already badly done up by his exertions and his fall down the stairs, had been overcome in the smoke-filled room as he was dragging McCutcheon toward the window. In an unconscious condition, he had stumbled into the balcony and toppled over the stone railing. From the porch roof he had rolled to the ground.

CURRY REVIVES

During the time Pope was trying to reach McCutcheon, Curry had been lying on the balcony; but just before Pope fell, he began to revive. Curry himself had already had the greatest difficulty in reaching safety. When he had been aroused by Pope's cries, he had called McCutcheon and made for the door to the hall.

"When I opened the door," said Curry in his statement, "the flames were not more than eight or ten feet from me, and it was the same as a furnace. McCutcheon called to know how I was going to get out. I yelled we couldn't make it through the hall, and ran back to the window to try to open it."

He had, however, found himself apparently caged. The window of the room opened outward like a shutter; but, the day before, stationary storm windows had been put in, and the window would not swing out. Two thicknesses of glass blocked his way to the balcony. In desperation, he took the only means of escape he saw, and, backing halfway across the room, rushed forward and hurled himself through the window. When he crashed out on the other side, his head struck the railing. The cold air—for it was about four degrees above zero—gradually revived him, and as he came to himself, and for some minutes before he got to his feet, he kept calling for help for McCutcheon, not knowing that Pope was in the room. At about the time Pope fell, Curry had sufficiently recovered to stand up. On the balcony with him there was now another boy, who was tying sheets together with which to slide down. Otherwise it was deserted. Most of the members of the fraternity had by now reached the ground.

MCCUTCHEON FOUND

"When I got up," continues Curry's statement, "I looked for McCutcheon, but couldn't see him on the balcony. I ran to the window I had come

through, and tried to help him out; but I couldn't find him. The smoke forced me out of the room, and when I got on the balcony no person was in sight. I went to the window and felt around the sides, and happened to feel on the floor. I felt some person on the floor, and knew it was McCutcheon. The smoke and heat forced me out again, and as soon as I got more air I went to where McCutcheon was lying, and had him sitting up, with my hands under his shoulders. I tried to pull him out, but he was wet with perspiration and slippery with smoke, and slipped out of my hands. I ran out to the balcony, and called to the men below to come up and help me. I turned toward the window, and saw the flames in the room, and knew if I didn't get him this time, I never could do it alone."

By this time Curry had not only been stunned but had been frightfully cut. Every time he had gone into the room it had meant exposing his body, unprotected save for his nightgown, to the jagged edges of the two broken panes of glass. The room inside was dense with smoke. The flames, too, for several moments had had full headway there, and Curry had been terribly blistered and burned. His statement makes no mention of any of these things. It reads simply:

"I went back and got my hands around his waist, and just managed to drag him out on the balcony."

THE SCENE ON THE BALCONY

The picture which Curry made as he emerged the last time from the burning room, dragging McCutcheon after him, made a deep impression on the crowd below. Practically all the statements refer to it; and the various accounts, when taken together, depict the boy, clad only in his nightgown, standing above the unconscious form of his room-mate and calling frantically for help. The only light was from the blaze of the fire; every few seconds clouds of smoke rolled between, shutting Curry from view; and all the while the driving snow-storm continued.

By this time men from a neighboring fraternity, with ladders, were ascending the hill. These rescuers, in a joint statement which they prepared, said they saw "one man upon the narrow balcony of the third floor. He was very much excited and made frantic appeals to us to do something. When the ladder was raised, and Curry saw that it would not reach the third floor, he became very wild in his action. About that time another ladder suddenly appeared.

When both ladders were up, we requested Curry to come down. He said he would not come down without McCutcheon. Having assured him that we would get McCutcheon, he came down."

Half a dozen boys lined up along the ladder, and McCutcheon's body was passed down. It was a grim and difficult business. McCutcheon was a heavy man, a member of the university foot-ball squad. "He was unconscious and naked, and bleeding profusely," wrote one boy who helped lift the body down.

The building burned so rapidly that the crowd was stupified. McCutcheon had hardly been lowered from the balcony before they saw a boy leap out

from the building to the ground, his night-clothes afire. They ran to him, and found that it was Oliver Le Roy Schmuck, a senior, from Hanover, Pennsylvania, who had roomed on the third floor with William Homes Nichols, another senior, from Chicago, Illinois. The story of Schmuck is as memorable as any of the fire.

SCHMUCK'S INSTINCTIVE HEROISM

Schmuck and his room-mate were the last to hear the alarm. As soon as Schmuck awoke he made for his window, supposing that Nichols was close behind him. Schmuck was on the sill, from where it would have been an easy jump to the porch below. He was about to make the leap, when he turned to look for his room-mate. Nichols was not there. The room was all ablaze and burning furiously. It was perfectly evident that no person could have lived there for a moment. If Schmuck had paused for a second to think, he must have known that to return to the room would mean his death. Crouching down, he crawled back through the window into the room. He did so without hesitation and apparently by instinct.

Inside, he began feeling along the floor to find his room-mate. It was a fruitless search, and in a second Schmuck had been frightfully burned and driven back to the window. In his agony, he did not pause to climb down, but jumped about fifty feet to the ground. A small bush somewhat broke his fall. Several of the boys pulled off his burning pajamas, and for a few moments he lay in the snow, stunned. Presently reviving, he got to his feet and asked in natural tones where the Phi Kappa Psi House was. It was about two hundred yards distant, and, perfectly controlled, Schmuck walked there. On the way, one of his friends met him, but did not recognize him. It was said that in the dim light he looked like a negro.

When he reached the Phi Kappa Psi House, he fell exhausted on the floor. Those who picked him up found that all of his body, save a small spot on his back, had been either scorched red or burned to a black crisp.

"Hold me up and let me see the fire," he said. For a moment then he lost his self-control and wanted to go back to the burning building. Presently, however, he regained his composure and asked to be held before a mirror. When he had seen himself, he cried:

"I can't live like this!"

The scene in the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity house at that moment has been described by Andrews:

THE SUFFERINGS OF THE BOYS

"I went to the Phi Kappa Psi Lodge, where I found Schmuck, Pope, Curry, Powers, and McCutcheon," he wrote. "Schmuck was frantic with pain. He did not lie on the bed where I first saw him, but got up and paced the floor. He held up his foot and leg, and exclaimed: 'How can a man live with that?'. His legs were red as though covered with blood, and his hair was burned off, and his shoulders and body were burned. He knew he was doomed, from many things he said; I know this. Curry lay in the bed, his face black and bloody, and the bed was stained with blood. I got some

whisky, but he refused it, and I brought him water, which he swallowed convulsively. I took whisky to Schmuck, and he drank eagerly. Pope was in great pain. His face was black, and his eyes were bright and roving. I gave him whisky, which he drank eagerly, and as I pressed more upon him, he cried: 'No, give it to the others.' I met Powers in the hall, and he was pacing back and forth with his hands held in front of him. The skin was hanging from them. He was perfectly self-controlled. McCutcheon lay on the floor in the hall down-stairs. He was black in the face and covered with blood. Two boys held his arms pinioned to the floor, and he was fighting desperately.

"At frequent intervals I went back to see the lodge. It burned like an inferno. The walls crumbled before the heat. The tower fell in sections, each floor carrying a part away as it fell. From the window of the Alumni rooms the flames poured like a fountain."

There was but one ambulance available with which to remove the injured boys to the college infirmary. It was therefore slow work. Powers, unable to endure his pain, walked there. Schmuck during the ride was unable to lie down, and a boy whose night-gown was frozen to his body held him in an upright position to relieve him, in so far as was possible, of the pain of the weight of his body.

After the physicians had examined the injured, the lives of Schmuck, McCutcheon, and Pope were despaired of. Schmuck died at about nine o'clock the next morning; McCutcheon a little later. Pope, after weeks of suffering, recovered. Curry and Powers were also in the infirmary for weeks, and Goetz suffered for a short time from the injury to his hip.

SCHMUCK'S STATEMENT

Neither Schmuck nor McCutcheon made formal statements. McCutcheon was unconscious most of the time until he died, and said nothing concerning the fire. Schmuck's only utterance in the nature of a statement was made to President Schurman. When Mr. Schurman heard that the boy was dying, he went to him. Schmuck was in great agony, but had not lost his composure. He asked the president if there had been any news of Nichols. President Schurman told him that there had not been.

"I was out all right," Schmuck then said, "but I went back for Bill."

Nichols' remains were found later, in the cellar directly under the spot where his room had been. He probably tried to escape by the door of his room, and was almost instantly killed by a blast of flame. Another body was found in the ruins. It was that of F. W. Grelle, a freshman who roomed on the third floor. It is supposed that he did not hear the alarm and died a painless death in bed.

President Schurman, after the fire, gathered all the members of the Chi Psi fraternity who were able to be there at his house for breakfast. Many of the boys, as they assembled, were suffering from burns, and all of them felt the effects of the intense cold and exposure. It was known at that time that Nichols and Grelle were dead. Shortly after they were seated the telephone rang, and word came that Schmuck had died. A little later there

was another ring, and the boy who went to receive the message was told that McCutcheon was dying and that Pope could not live. Moreover, there was still much uncertainty as to the outcome of Curry's injuries. Shortly word also came of the death of the three firemen in the ruins. Out of the twenty-six members of the fraternity, nineteen were there, and for them breakfast was one of the most tragic incidents of the fire.

WHAT THE STATEMENTS DID NOT TELL

After the breakfast most of the statements upon which this account is based were taken. They are remarkable quite as much for what they do not tell as for what they do. There is almost no mention of the terrible hardships every one of the boys endured. Throughout the fire, not only was there a snow-storm and a terrific gale blowing off Cayuga Lake, but the cold was intense. The following is the only reference to this condition: "The cold was fearful, being about four degrees above zero, and we had nothing but nightgowns on." The boys were also uniformly modest. In this respect the statements of Curry, Pope, and Powers, taken later, are masterpieces. "I went back and got my arms around him, and just managed to drag him out on the balcony," was the manner in which Curry described his last effort to save McCutcheon. "I stepped on to the gutter and walked as far as I could," wrote one of the freshmen who made that perilous climb sixty feet above the ground. None of them referred to their burns and injuries. Even Powers and Curry were silent on that point.

CARNEGIE MEDALS

Carnegie medals for heroism were awarded to Schmuck, Pope, and Curry. All over the country the fire attracted attention and the significance of the conduct of the members of the fraternity was widely recognized. That twenty-six boys should have met a test so severe with so much coolness, self-sacrifice, and instinctive heroism strengthens our most sacred hopes for the country that bore them. There was not a coward among them, and each counted life as nothing against the needs of his friends.

CHAPTER LETTERS

ALPHA

Dear Sisters:

May the little New Year with his bright, chubby face, alway have a dimpling smile and a twinkle in his eye for you.

All the Alpha girls hurried away to their homes or to the homes of friends for the Holidays, but January seventh will find them hurrying back just as eagerly to resume their duties of school life.

We are planning a "Garden Party" for January tenth. The gymnasium will be transformed into a growing garden of flowers and shrubs. One of the favors will be a rose bearing the name of one of the girls and growing on a bush in the garden. Frappe will be served from the "moss-covered bucket" in an old fashioned well.

Lombard college expressed its appreciation of its football team in the form of a banquet December seventeenth. A college orchestra was formed for the occasion. One of the Alpha girls was asked to respond to a toast.

December sixth, Mrs. Bertha Cook-Evans, of Monmouth, entertained the Alpha girls and their pledges. The pledges were made the victims of many pranks and after the fun a bounteous supper was served.

December seventh, Nellie Provoost and Leila Bailey were initiated into Alpha Xi Delta at the home of Josephine Ericson, of Galesburg. Mrs. Alice Bruner, Miss Lillian Linquist and Miss Francis Richey were present at the initiation.

Mabel Hendel.

GAMMA

Gamma Chapter sends to you all her very best wishes for a most delightful and successful year.

The girls returned after a very pleasant vacation spent at their homes, and all are just as enthusiastic as ever. We have twelve active members this term.

We look upon last term with a great deal of pleasure. During that time we attended convention, met many Alpha girls and also had Mrs. Leib with us for several days.

On the evening of October 29th, while Mrs. Leib was with us, we initiated one pledge, Nancy Copeland. On the next evening, October 30th, we gave a Pan-Hellenic reception at the home of Mary and Edith Taylor. We entertained the active members and the pledges of the different fraternities and sororities and the faculty members. The house was decorated throughout. Our favors were pink and white carnations and our patronesses emembered us with several dozen of beautiful chrysanthemums. Because

of our Pan-Hellenic reception was the same week, we did not give our annual Halloween party.

The Gamma girls are all looking forward to a happy and prosperous year, and wish the same for every Alpha Xi Delta. *Gamma.*

EPSILON

Best wishes for a Happy New Year from Epsilon. We come to you with better assurance than ever before, with our twenty active members and three pledges. The girls who entered the University this autumn seemed very desirable and Epsilon came off the field with the highest honors—as she pledged not only the largest number of new students, but also the majority of the best girls in college.

On November 18th, Alpha Xi Delta held its regular meeting at the home of the Misses Richardson. The initiates, Marion Williams, Grace Sanborn, Lois Nichols and Sarah Sewell entertained the company the earlier part of the evening with their laughable efforts to ride Alpha's nannie-goat. After the regular initiation ceremony which followed, a delicious three-course spread was served. The girls departed at a late hour which came near to being an early one, having had an unusual jolly evening.

Our latest stunt was a Christmas party for our patronesses, given at the home of the Misses Richardson. The parlors were beautifully decorated with Christmas greens, while a tree and a real live Santa Claus with a wonderful pack of toys made the evening one long to be remembered. Each gift was a take off upon the receiver's particular fad or hobby and was accompanied by an appropriate rhyme. Miss Lucy Helen Pearson, Mrs. Grange, Mrs. Akeley and Mrs. Gault were the guests of honor.

From the college paper, The Volante.

ZETA

Zeta Chapter sends greeting and best wishes to all for a prosperous and happy New Year.

Our first initiation this year was held October 31st, with five initiates. After the ceremony we enjoyed a banquet at the home of Lillian Seybold on Clifton avenue.

Zeta wishes to announce the marriage of Leta Condit to Dr. Leo Miller, of Rantoul, Ill. According to all reports Leta is perfectly happy and thinks the cares of housekeeping as nothing in comparison with those of the class room.

Just before college closed for the holidays Zeta entertained with a "taffy-pull" at the home of Clara Dornblaser. In spite of burned and blistered hands every one reported a good time.

The new Science Hall at Wittenberg will be opened early in the new year.

We are all looking forward eagerly to the completion of the new song books.

Fraternally,

E. Hazel Wright, Sec.

ETA

Dear Alpha Sisters:

Eta extends a New Year's greeting to all.

Since the girls have returned from the convention, our bond of union seems stronger and we work with greater zeal. We only regret that more of our number could not have attended and become acquainted with other sisters and received this grand inspiration first hand. Our interests were all the more aroused by the Gamma Phi Beta convention which was held at Syracuse, this fall.

Eta is proud to announce the name of another new sister, Marion Green, '10.

On New Year's eve the pretty weddiug of Martha Hutchings '06, editor of the Alpha Xi Delta Journal, to Scott McKean, of Troy, Pa., took place at the home of the bride's parents, 512 Bear street. The ceremony was performed by the bride's father, Rev. G. E. Hutchings, pastor of the First Ward M. E. Church, assisted by Rev. D. O. Chamberlyn, of Osceola, Pa. Miss Margaret Chamberlyn of Osceola, Pa., acted as maid of honor and Mr. Arthur McMahan, of Troy, Pa., as best man. As the bridal party entered, six young ladies sang the bridal chorus from "Lohengrin," and at the close of the ceremony Miss Laura Wheeler sang "O Love Divine." Among the young ladies of the chorus were :—Misses Grace Fox, Laura Wheeler, Nettie Britton, Margaret Hoard, Dora Baker, Edith Lawrence. Miss Theodora Bothwell presided at the piano, accompanied by the violin. Besides the immediate relatives and friends there were several Alpha Xi Delta girls present. Among them were :—Lena Baldwin, Dora Lockwood, Thresa Tobin, Helen Tobin, Helen Truair, Louise Hopkins, Miranda Myres, Ethel Patterson, Corinne Ensign, Edith Lawrence, Margaret Hoard, Grace Fox, Margaret Chamberlyn, Belle Chadborne, Theodora Bothwell. Mr. and Mrs. McKean will reside at Newberry, Pa. Eta sends congratulations.

A striking feature of Miss Hutchings' wedding was the announcement of the engagement of the maid of honor, Miss Margaret Chamberlyn, ex '10, to Mr. William Alderman '08, Cornell. Congratulations to Margaret Chamberlyn.

Margaret Hoard, Eta.

THETA

Theta Chapter sends New Year's greetings and wishes sincerely that the coming year will bless each and every Alpha with all possible happiness and prosperity.

Convention is over, and if such a thing is possible, we all feel prouder than ever of being one of the sisterhood of Alpha Xi Delta. Our two delegates, Louise Erb and Ruth Strong came home bubbling over with enthusiasm and through them we were all inspired with a new and fresh national spirit, which each chapter ought to feel. Although it did not fall to the good fortune of all of us to go and meet our sisters representing the various chapters, we have all lived that eventful week through as much as possible

by hearing what was actually done and experienced. Iota certainly is to be congratulated on the great success of her royal entertainment.

Agnes Ravn '06, who is teaching in Merrill, Wis., Elizabeth Erb '07, who is teaching in Waterloo, Wis., and Mae Herrick and Ellen Hoffman, Nanna Hoegh's friends, were guests at the house during Thanksgiving vacation. Three other alumnæ, Bertha Davis '06, Alma Runge '06, and Leonora Henderson '06, were back but did not stay at the house. We were all together Thanksgiving evening and passed the time very pleasantly by dancing. To add to the happiness of everyone present, Elizabeth Tucker allowed us to put the pledge pin on her.

December 9th we initiated two new members, Elizabeth Tucker and Edith Shuster; two girls whom we are proud to introduce as Alpha Xi sisters.

Our three Thanksgiving guests presented the house with a picture of Sir Galahad. It adds greatly to the appearance of the parlor.

Miss Emma Evjne, of Merrill, who visited Nanna Hoegh at the house shortly after Thanksgiving, presented us with a pennant for our dining room. Each active member did likewise for Christmas, so now our dining room puts us in mind of the various colleges in which we are represented.

November 22nd, Chadbourne Hall gave their first reception of the year. Our chaperone, Miss Field, and the seniors had the honor of being invited.

The same evening the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity gave a reception for one of their men, Dr. Ravenal, who is now a member of our faculty. Our whole chapter was invited.

November 23d was a great and exciting day for Wisconsin. Minnesota came to find their equals on the football field. As everybody knows we tied by a score of seventeen to seventeen. In the evening an immense bon-fire on the lower campus manifested our hilarious spirits and a large mass-meeting was held in the armory to discuss the future of football. Good results have been accomplished and next year Wisconsin expects to have a coach.

December 9th the Chi Omega sorority entertained at a formal dancing party at the Women's building. Two representatives from each sorority and two non-sorority girls were invited. Chi Omega introduced a means by which a more democratic spirit might be promoted among students and societies. The party was a great success, and we hope the good work may be continued and taken up by others.

Inter-sorority bowling has not commenced yet but we expect to begin our practicing after the holidays. Nanna Horgh in practicing at the association alleys, made high score for November, and was presented with a trophy cup.

A few days before the holidays Chadbourne Hall had a smallpox scare. One of the girls who had been home during Thanksgiving had caught the disease. After several days of illness the case was diagnosed as smallpox and she was taken to the hospital. All the rest of the students at the dormitory were vaccinated and sent home. Their vacation was thereby

lengthened a few days, much to their joy. No further spread of the disease has been heard of.

Theta expects to give her formal dancing party January 18th.

Nanna Horgh, Cor. Sec.

IOTA

Dear Alphas:

A happy New Year to one and all. Iota is ready to begin the winter term with unusual enthusiasm. The convention stirred us up wonderfully. It was such a pleasure to meet so many Alphas and to learn to know them; we only wish that we might have kept them longer with us.

The fall examinations are over and none of us "flunked" but came through the dreadful ordeal like true Alphas.

Mary Cooper and Lillian Smith were elected to the English Club last term. We now have four sisters in this honor organization and are very proud of the fact that we have more representatives in the club than the other sororities.

Vacation has been very pleasant; Santa Claus visited all of us and brought much joy and happiness. There have been many social events, the wedding of Drusilla Johnson and Rev. E. B. Quick on Christmas Day being one of the prettiest affairs of the season. We Alphas were naturally very much excited over the event, as it was the first Alpha wedding to occur in Morgantown. The wedding took place in the Christian church and the ceremony was performed by Prof. W. H. Taylor, vice-president of Bethany College. Lucile Johnson, of Cadiz, Ohio, a sister of the bride, and an alumna of Iota chapter, was maid of honor. Gilbert Quick, the brother of the groom, was best man. Crystal Courtney presided at the organ, and all of the Alphas in town attended in a body—a special pew being reserved for them. After the wedding supper, the happy couple left on the evening train for Cincinnati, Cadiz, Ohio, and Pittsburg, the home of Rev. Quick's parents. Rev. Quick is a member of the Kappa Alpha fraternity, and received his degree from Bethany College last June. Rev. and Mrs. Quick will go to housekeeping in their new house in South Park, April 1st. At present they will have rooms in South Morgantown.

Ethel Green gave a thimble party December 21st to Iota chapter in honor of Miss Johnson. We hemmed napkins, and each girl worked her initials in one corner of the napkin she hemmed. The afternoon passed all too quickly with jolly conversation and good "eatins." A decree was passed that the custom of having an Alpha wedding at Christmas be kept up at all cost, and the next victim was chosen.

Mary Chadwick has issued invitations for a Watch Party New Year's eve. We are anticipating a jolly time.

Crystal Courtney, Cor. Sec'y.

KAPPA

Kappa sends many pleasant greetings to her sister chapters. We are very busy just now with semester examinations drawing near.

We have moved nearer the campus this year and certainly have a very pleasant home. There are seventeen girls in the home at present.

We have not been doing many social "stunts" but have had a few very successful parties. One an informal progressive euchre party was especially enjoyed. Mr. and Mrs. Crane entertained us with men friends Halloween, and again at military euchre. Mrs. Garner gave us a very pleasant party.

The girls are somewhat enthusiastic about the "Illio," (our annual year book) roast contest. Each sorority submits no less than fifty roasts. A prize is offered for the best collection.

Last Saturday afternoon occurred the annual Pan-Hellenic dance. It was given in the Elks' Auditorium and only girls were present. The hall was very prettily decorated, a feature of the decorations being pennants of each sorority. The girls who lead usually wear tailored shirtwaists and dark skirts while their "ladies fair" affect daintier gowns. The programs were pretty with a colonial damsel in water color sketched upon each.

We are anticipating an unusually pleasant year, and trust that the year may mean as much to all the other chapters of Alpha Xi Delta as it does to Kappa.

Very fraternally yours,

Elizabeth Abbott, Kappa.

LAMBDA

Dear Sisters:

Again we are back at college, after having had a most delightful Christmas vacation.

Shortly before the holidays Mrs. Dennison entertained us at her home one evening. We all dressed tiny dolls, and the girl who dressed the prettiest doll was given a prize.

The Monday before Christmas we enjoyed our annual Christmas tree at the home of Persis Hannah. Perhaps it may be of interest to know the way in which we plan our gifts—usually jokes. Each member's name is written on two separate slips of paper, then each girl draws two of these and prepares a gift for each of the girls whose names are on her slips. In this way each girl receives at least two presents. After the distribution of the gifts we enjoyed a splendid "feed," sang songs, and had a real good, jolly time.

In the play recently given by the senior girls, Lambda had two of the five girls, Amy V. Richards and Miriam S. Carleton.

Next week Nellie Kimball, '09, is to be given an informal party at her home in Newton, for some prospective freshmen.

The class of 1910, medical, is to give a large dance in the gymnasium next week. Most of the Lambda girls will attend. Gertrude Johnson is chairman.

We regret very much to say that Mrs. Chase, one of our patronesses, has resigned.

Early in November Lambda had the pleasure of a visit from Mary and Leda Atkeson, of Iota chapter. And last but not least Lambda wishes to express to Delta and Iota her appreciation of the kind hospitality shown her delegates at the convention. It is a never-to-be-forgotten event in our lives.

Gertrude C. Johnson, Cor. Sec'y.

MU

Dear Sisters:

Of Mu's nineteen charter members only twelve returned to take up college work, but all with such unbounded enthusiasm that our hopes for the year are of the brightest.

Because of the strict Pan-Hellenic rules at Minnesota, very little rushing is being done.

We can pledge no freshmen until April, but have pledged Alice Meloney, junior and Lucy White, sophomore. We feel very proud to introduce both of these girls to you and are sure that they will do much to help Mu to live up to the standards and ideals of $\Lambda\Xi\Delta$.

We have had our one rushing party and are eagerly looking forward to the second, after which nothing more will be done until pledge day. Although we are new we have equal chances with the other sororities and are certain that after April we will have some splendid freshmen to tell you about.

There has been one Pan-Hellenic party at Minnesota this year, at which Mu made her debut into Greek letter society. Besides this Kappa Kappa Gamma, Kappa Alpha Theta and Delta Delta Delta entertained at receptions and Phi Kappa Psi at a house-warming in their beautiful new home.

Although we are rather busy this year we find time for some social functions. We have had several small parties at "the house," which do much to make us feel that we are really and truly sisters.

Helen Spink entertained at a week-end house party at her home at White Bear Lake, and needless to say we had a splendid time. Elsie Lathrop made a most delightful hostess at a Christmas party, where we all made gay with a Christmas tree, "Santa Claus" and various other Yule-tide amusements.

Fannie Gordonier and Mary Shiely have returned from their first convention with unbounded enthusiasm to "do and dare" for Alpha Xi. Every Alpha girl should make a most earnest endeavor to go to Syracuse and find out for herself what an Alpha Xi Delta convention is like.

We feel very happy in having secured a new patroness, Mrs. White of St. Paul. She is most charming and enthusiastic. Her generosity is shown by a beautiful fern which adorns our chapter room.

Happy New Year to every Alpha and that she may have many of them, is the wish of your new chapter Mu.

Mary E. Shiely

NU

Nu sends her greetings to all her sisters and wishes them a most happy and prosperous New Year.

We opened our house on November 15th with a formal reception. The parlors were decorated with ivy and Alpha Xi Delta roses, while yellow chrysanthemums and our colors brightened the dining room. Our patronesses, chaperon and some of our alumnae were in the receiving line. An orchestra furnished delightful music during the afternoon and evening. Nearly five hundred guests called upon us. The Gamma Phi Betas opened their beautiful new chapter house on the same day.

The girls who were in Seattle during the Christmas holidays, and their friends, had a very enjoyable informal dance at the chapter house on New Year's Eve.

Lela Parker gave a party at her home on Halloween evening. Fortunes, wizards and ghosts entertained us very delightfully.

We are making our plans for a formal dance to be given during the first week of February.

On Monday, January 13th, Ethel Everett and Lillian Kiltz were initiated into Nu chapter. They are both lovely girls, and we feel sure that they will make strong and loyal sisters.

Olive L. Mueller.

PERSONALS

ALPHA

Miss Bessie Williamson has been visiting relatives in Wyoming, Ill.

Miss Maude Andrews was recently called to her home at New Salem, Ill., by the sad death of her father.

Grace Cook will not return to school after the Christmas holidays, but we hope to have her with us again for the Spring term.

Mrs. Alice Bruner and little daughters, Lois and Helen, have returned to Aurora, where they will occupy the new home which has been built recently.

Miss Alleen Thompson has returned to her home in Colchester after a pleasant visit with relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Lieb, in Springfield.

Miss Florence Kober spent the Christmas holidays with her parents in Macomb. She will return to Table Grove December 30, to resume her duties as assistant superintendent of the High school.

Lois Hughes visited her sister, Mima Hughes, at the Hall for a few days.

Miss Mabel Hendel spent several days visiting friends in Kewanee.

Miss Ora Garver is attending the Howard Payne seminary at Fayette, Missouri.

Misses Berta Pittman, of Prescott, Ark.; Nellie Provost, of Pecatonica, Ill.; Leila Bailey, of Stoughton, Wis., are spending the holidays at their homes.

Mrs. Edna McDonald Bonser of Macomb, Ill., has accepted the pastorate of the Universalist church at Colchester, Ill.

Miss Mabel Irwin is spending the holidays at the home of Mrs. Dudley in Galesburg.

Miss Florence Imes has changed her address to Lombard Hall.

Mabel Hendel.

BETA

Beta Chapter sends most joyful greetings to all her sister chapters and wishes to all a most happy and prosperous year.

Miss Alice Babb, who is attending school at Northwestern, spent Thanksgiving week with her Alpha sisters at Wesleyan.

At Thanksgiving time *we* were delighted to have many of our sisters with us again, and the frat. meeting held the following Friday after Thanksgiving was one of the best we have had for some time. Those present beside our active chapter were: Alice Babb, Aurora; Aberta Stephens, Wappello; Nellie Tribby, Edith Van Case, Mabel Hay, Ellen Ball, Florence Counner Stephens, all of Mt. Pleasant. We went early and after dispensing with our business we had a splendid time together singing Alpha songs and engaging

in the various other activities which go toward the making of an ideal Alpha evening. At a late hour, May Johnson, who was our hostess, served a four course menu, and then after singing a farewell Alpha song, we left for our homes.

Miss Elva Potts of Moravia, one of our pledglings who is teaching school in Moravia this year, was with us four days at Thanksgiving time.

Miss Myrtie Lauer, a senior of last year, was with us again Thanksgiving. She left for Oklahoma the following week, where she went for her health, expecting to return January 7th.

Mrs. Florence Couter Stephens is now situated in her beautiful new home on North Broadway street. She was so kind as to ask us to have our last frat. meeting there before vacation.

Mrs. Galer, one of our excellent patronesses, is improving slowly in health. She is very kind to all the Alpha girls and has asked us for our first frat. meeting of the new year. We most willingly accepted her kind invitation.

School at Wesleyan closed December 20th for a vacation until January 7th. All the girls had been looking forward to this with longing anticipations, and the first train carried many of the homesick girls to their homes.

Miss Ina Duncan, one of our senior girls of last year, who has been teaching in Toledo, Ia., this year, came home December 21st for a two weeks' vacation.

Louise Brady, Beta.

GAMMA

Nellie Hawkins has returned to school after having been absent last term.

Lucille Strong spent the vacation at her home in North Benton, Ohio.

Mabel Heckler attended the State convention of Y. W. C. A. at Cincinnati last term.

Olga Holverson of Mu chapter, who is in Oberlin this year, visited the Gamma girls last term and attended our Pan-Hellenic reception.

Miss Hanna of Oberlin visited at the frat. house on her way back to school, the guest of her cousin, Nancy Copeland.

Nellie Hawkins attended the wedding of Treva Dewey to Rev. Ira A. Morton of Canton, O., which occurred at Cambridge, Ohio, January 8th.

DELTA

Delta wishes the best of success for all the chapters during the year nineteen hundred and eight.

All the Delta girls reported a most enjoyable holiday season, and all came back with the determination for better work during the coming year.

The wedding of Helen Tinsley, '07, to Mr. F. C. McMillan, took place the day before Christmas, here at Bethany, and the best wishes of all are with her in her new happiness. Anna Mary Kemp, '06, and Helen Marshall, '09, were in the bridal party, and Eunice Orrison, '07, also attended. Mr. and Mrs. McMillan are now at their home on Euclid avenue in Cleveland.

Delta very much enjoyed a visit from Besse Sadler, Iota, recently. She spent Saturday night with us, and we all enjoyed so much the interchange of Alpha Xi Delta notes. We all hope she will come again.

Delta was the recipient of several very useful Christmas gifts this year. Instead of remembering each other every year we give to the room things which it needs. Several of our alumnae showed their interest in the chapter in a liberal manner.

There is a great deal of excitement around the college now, owing to a fire which broke out in the girls' dormitory the early part of the week. There were no serious results, but it was thought for a few moments that the Hall could not be saved. The boys came to our rescue and fought the fire nobly.

EPSILON

Nina Wallace has filed upon 160 acres of government land and will take up her residence in a "claim shanty" the first of February.

Mrs. Josephine Hanson Hedeon of Sioux City, Ia., paid the Epsilon girls two flying visits last fall. "Jo" is still a loyal Alpha Xi Deltian and the girls hope to have her with them for their "annual" in January.

Helen Tarbell, Helen Frazee, Helen Hill, Helen Miller, Bertha Small, Bertha Richardson, and Margaret Miller attended the fourteenth annual convention of the Young Women's Christian Association as delegates from the University of S. Dakota.

Sister Marjorie Breeden is a flourishing young lawyer in the capitol city.

Helen Frazee has been out on a concert tour with Prof. Von Gelch, violin instructor in the College of Music. Helen has met with remarkable success as an accompanist and expects to make a concert tour of the state sometime in the spring.

Epsilon takes great pleasure in announcing the names of four new sisters, Misses Lois Nichols, Grace Sanborn, Sarah Sewell, and Marion Williams, and one new pledge, Miss Pearle Sale of White Lake.

ZETA

Those initiated into the mysteries of Alpha Xi Delta on October 21st were Ruth Collier of Springfield; Elizabeth Sudhoff, Richmond, Ind.; Margaret Fornshill, Miamisburg, Ohio; Lois Miller, Louisville, Ky.; and Willard Wright, Springfield, O.

Mary Hubbell, '07, is teaching English at the high school in North Baltimore.

We were very glad to have Marjorie Smith and Mary Hubbell with us at Thanksgiving.

May Fidler, '07, is teaching at her home in Mansfield.

Helen Dornblaser has a prominent part in the Sophomore play which is to be given some time in January.

Edith Smith and Clara Dornblaser (on their way to convention) at Wheeling, stopped to visit Clara Schwarm, who was in school last year.

E. H. W., Zeta.

ETA

Eta was represented at the convention by Martha Hutchings, Lena Baldwin and Miranda Myers.

Hazel Algie, '09, will not return to college for the remainder of the year.

Hazel Brush, '09, who has been ill since Thanksgiving time, is much improved. We expect to see her back again.

Corinnie Ensign spent a few days during the holidays with Helen Truair.

Lena Baldwin, Grace Fox, Dora Baker, and Dora Lockwood spent a few days at the chapter house.

Nan Prussia, '06, who has been ill for some time, is improving. She will not be able to return and take up her school duties this year.

Helen Chase, '09, played at public recital in John Crouse Hall recently.

Theresa and Helen Tobin spent the holidays at their home in Syracuse.

Gertrude Wright, '06, is not able to return to her school work for the rest of the year.

Congratulations to Eva Elliot, '08, as her engagement to Henry Biglow, Beta Theta Phi, Colgate, has been announced.

THETA

Jenny Tilhsch, our last year's interscholastic pledge, who is attending Carroll college at Waukisha this year, but who intends to come to Madison next year, paid us a visit from November first to fourth.

Signe Ravn, who is spending a year in Norway, reports a very good time.

Elizabeth Erb, who is teaching at Waterloo, Wis., comes to see us quite frequently, much to our joy. She comes in to take lessons in dramatic reading.

Charlotte Stough, who was with us last year, and who has been teaching in Lakota, N. Dakota, this year, has accepted a position to teach in the grades at Wausaw, Wis., after Christmas—No place like old Wisconsin!

Frances Albers, '09, spent her Thanksgiving vacation at her home in Wausaw, Wis.

Leonora Henderson, '06, who is teaching in Stoughton, Wis., comes to see us occasionally.

Elizabeth Erb played Santa Claus and presented us with dining-room curtains.

Leonora Henderson did likewise and gave us a rug.

Agnes Ravn and Marion Ryan, both graduates of '06, sent us a statue of Moses which they purchased while abroad during the summer.

Mary Olin, who has been staying at her home in Beloit, Ohio, this year, brightened our house and gladdened our hearts, by sending us a bunch of beautiful carnations.

Bess Adams, '06, who is teaching in this city, comes to cheer us occasionally. We appreciate the visits of the alumnae.

Miss Field, our chaperon, spent a day in Sun Prairie, her former home, where she took part in a program given by the Women's club.

Mrs. Albers spent a few days with us this fall. A mother always makes any place seem like home.

Nanna Hoegl, Cor. Sec.

IOTA

The Watkins sisters, spent several days after convention visiting the chapter, before returning to their home in Grafton, W. Va.

Lucile Johnson of Cadiz, O., was here for the Johnson-Quick wedding and was the house guest of Mabel Weaver for a week.

Mary Chadwick is home for the holidays from Lutherville, Md., where she is attending school.

Mary Cooper, Mabel Weaver, and Lillian Smith are spending several days at the Sadler home at Pt. Marion, Pa.

Bess Sadler leaves for Wheeling Saturday, January 4th, to fill a three weeks' engagement singing in one of the churches there. Bess visited Bertha Jane Smith in Sistersville after convention.

Nancy Coplin is spending the vacation at her home in Boothsville, W. Va.

Cora Edna Jackson is teaching in the Tarbors Male Academy, at Tarboro, N. Carolina.

KAPPA

Gertrude Edbrooke has left school on account of ill health, and is at home in Oak Park until February 1st.

Miss Rosa Lee Gaut, Kappa's chaperone, has been ill with tonsilitis.

Miss Winifred Campbell, ex '08, who is teaching in Tolono High school, spends Sunday of each week at the chapter house.

Mary Bickel has become a member of the English club and Saidee Nelson has been invited to join the Mathematics club of the University. These are both honorary organizations.

Mrs. Fred Rankin has accepted an invitation to become a patroness.

Virginia Shann has just recovered from a week's illness in the Burnham hospital.

Grace Spencer and Elizabeth Abbott visited in Pesotum over Sunday.

Jeanette Retz, pledged Alpha Xi Delta, will enter school next semester.

Mary Melrose, ex '08, spent a week at the chapter house recently.

LAMBDA

At the senior class elections Amy V. Richards was chosen orator, Miriam S. Carleton, chorister, and Ethel L. Fuller was re-elected secretary.

Ethel Fuller has been awarded the prize scholarship of the class of 1898. This scholarship is given annually to "that Senior, who, at the end of the Junior year, shall have maintained the highest excellence in a course of study broadly and wisely chosen." Of course we feel very much honored to have this prize fall to a Lambda girl.

Lambda.

MU

Olga Halvorson is studying at Oberlin, O.

Dolly Hendrickson is studying music and art in Minneapolis.

Cora Halvorson is attending Hamline University (Minn.)

Veldora McLeod is taking the kindergarten course at Miss Wood's school in Minneapolis, Minn.

Myrtle Jones, '07, is teaching in Ellendale, S. D.

Mary Helson, '07, is teaching in Elk River, Minn.

Marjorie Thompson is studying music in Minneapolis, Minn.

Iris Wood, Kappa, is teaching at the Minnesota State Agricultural school, and visits us occasionally.

Mrs. Ralph Thomas, Lambda, is another dear Alpha, living in Minneapolis, Minn.

Fannie Gordinier and Mary Shiely attended convention at Morgantown, W. Va., and report a most delightful time.

Elsie and Anna Jones, Gamma, and Charlotte Stough, Theta, visited us during the summer.

Mary Kay, Gamma, spent a short time with us while en route to Seattle.

Mina Schaetzel entertained the "town girls," on New Year's Day in honor of Myrtle Jones and Mary Helson, who were home for the holidays.

NU

One of our patronesses, Mrs. Thomas Burke, is away this year, on a trip around the world. We expect her home in the spring.

All of the "house girls," except Mary Kay, went to their homes for the Christmas holidays. Mary Kay visited around with the different girls whose homes are here.

Alice Murchison spent a few days in Victoria; B. C., recently.

Lillian Esary is to take one of the leading parts in a presentation of "As You Like It," soon to be given at the University. She has also been appointed on the committee to furnish the rest room for the "Woman's League."

Hazel Estes was unable to return to college after the holidays, and Hazel Geisseman will have to leave us at the opening of the new term, to return to her home, on account of her mother's ill health. We will miss our "Hazels" very much, but will be anxiously awaiting their return in the fall.

Mae McLachlan was one of the members of the committee in charge of the "Varsity Ball"—the big social event of the year.

Francis Sanborne, who has not attended college this semester, will be with us again with the opening of the new term in February, and will graduate in June.

Hazel Geisseman has been appointed on the committee to have charge of the "Freshman Dance."

Dear Alpha Xi Deltas:

Our delegates, Betsey Harmon and Daisy Bartlett, still have many interesting things to tell about the convention, and they find eager listeners in their Alpha sisters.

The Association of Tufts Alumnae held their annual luncheon at the Vendome, Boston. It was a great success, and we are especially proud as it was under the management of our sister, Fannie Clement, '06. We are also proud of the pretty, Daisylike toast of Daisy Bartlett.

On the evening of the twenty-eighth of December the Boston Alumnae met at the home of Ellen Bowker, '05. There were a large number present, and all had a splendid time. Besides telling each other all the news and enjoying the excellent refreshments, much was accomplished in the way of business.

The Boston Chapter are to give a tea at Nellie Kimball's home in Newton to meet some prospective Tufts girls.

Florence Garton, '05, was married on January 1st.

Phoebe Johnson, '06, spent Thanksgiving with her sister in Pittsburg. Her sister, Edna Johnson Austin, is also an Alpha girl.

Ruth Sibley, '06, spent a week of the Christmas vacation in South Manchester, Conn., visiting Laura Watkins, '05. South Manchester is one of the homes of loyal Tufts men and women, among whom are three Alpha Xi Delta girls.

Ruth A. Sibley, Boston Alumnae.

ALLIANCE ALUMNÆ

The alumnae girls are sorry to lose two of their faithful members, Louise Shedd-Roberts, who has moved to Chicago, Ill., and Helen Miller, who has gone with her parents to make their home in Pasadena, Cal.

Born to Edith Whitla-Gow, a daughter.

Born to Eloise Patton-McKnight of Pittsburg, formerly an alumnae member, a son.

Helen and Alice Hinshilwood spent a few weeks at Washington, D. C., and Jamestown Exposition.

Effie Allott also spent ten days at Jamestown Exposition and vicinity.

Grace Darrow, who is teaching in Leadville, Colo., spent the holidays at her home near Youngstown, O.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Treva Dewey and Rev. Ira Morton of Canton, on January 8th. We all extend our heartiest congratulations.

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INTER-SORORITY CONFERENCE

It will not be long before we shall read that the Inter-Sorority Conference has met for the seventh time, and how many of us, if asked questions concerning its origin, growth and purpose, could give intelligent answers? Last year's inspections have taught me that few chapters have clear ideas of this I. S. C. body and its work, and the object of this article is to set forth some facts concerning it and the part our own sorority has in it, with the hope that it may help make the subject more definite.

The movement may be said to have originated in 1890, when Kappa Kappa Gamma gave it its first impulse to Pan Hellenism among sororities by inviting the other sororities to meet in convention in Boston. At this convention an attempt was made "to secure (1) uniformity of inter-sorority courtesy; (2) co-operation in purchasing fraternity jewelry and stationery for the purpose of increased security and cheapness; (3) a practical Pan Hellenic plan for the World's Fair; (4) uniformity in the dates of fraternity publications; (5) inter-chapter co-operation and etiquette." In this you see a beginning of the evidence of an understanding that sororities are all working for the same things and toward the same goal, and need to work together. No other like convention was held probably because there was no city at which representatives of all sororities could conveniently meet, and probably, too, the expense incidental to providing entertainment for the delegates during such a session deterred other sororities from extending a similar invitation.

In the spring of 1892 representatives of all the sororities and half the fraternities held monthly meetings in Chicago for the purpose of securing space and arranging a fraternity exhibit at the 1893 World's Fair, but as the interest among the fraternities was not equal to that in the sororities the exhibit plan was given up and a fraternity congress, with one-half day given to fraternities, a third half day to the sororities and a half day to the Greek press was substituted. The meetings were inspiring and largely attended by hundreds of fraternity men and women,

but the time was not ripe for anything but a dawning appreciation of Pan Hellenism.

The inter-sorority movement proper began in 1902 with Alpha Phi as instigator. Mrs. Whitney, Alpha Phi's grand president, began correspondence with six other grand presidents to find a solution to the problem of rushing, and as this question was one common to all, Mrs. Whitney was encouraged to call the first I. S. C. in Chicago in May, 1902. This was the beginning of annual meetings presided over in turn by the different sororities. The first conference was composed of delegates from Pi Beta Phi, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Alpha Phi, Gamma Phi Beta, Delta Delta Delta and Delta Gamma, and this conference went to work to provide for an inter-sorority compact or agreement, and submitted a set of motions to the sororities for approval. The 1903 conference admitted Alpha Chi Omega and Chi Omega, and suggested the formation of Pan Hellenic associations in colleges where two or more national sororities exist, and urged sorority girls to take a more active part in college organizations which are for the good of all.

Of the set of four motions submitted to the sororities by the 1902 conference two passed unanimously, so the first definite gain was made in an agreement not to pledge before matriculation.

The work of the conference has been always suggestive, not legislative. The delegates meet for friendly, helpful discussion of fraternity and college conditions, and recommend legislation to the sororities, which become a law only when adopted unanimously by vote of grand councils and chapters of the sororities.

Alpha Xi Delta became a national organization in 1902, and had been too busy with the work of making a national sorority out of a nine year old local to take notice of the conference, but in 1903 her attention was called to the desirability of allying herself with the sororities in the I. S. C. movement; consequently the 1903 convention of the Alpha Xi Delta voted to send a delegate to the third conference. Acting upon the invitation of the I. S. C. conference secretary, Mrs. Anna Gillis-Kimble, Alpha, attended the 1904 conference. Our sorority had to accept the legislation already passed, so when we joined the conference we pledged ourselves as a sorority to be (1) mem-

bers of the Pan Hellenics and to assist in their formation, and (2) not to pledge before matriculation; i. e., before a girl is registered in the freshman class.

The 1904 conference commenced the social service work under the leadership of Kappa Kappa Gamma, recommended the establishing of Women's Leagues in colleges to include all women students, and recommended also that Deans of Women be appointed in all co-educational colleges.

The conference of 1905 admitted Alpha Omicron Pi, and defined a national sorority as one having at least five chapters, all at institutions of collegiate rank. This was the first conference that I attended, and according to the official list of sororities made by the third conference, Alpha Xi Delta had to act as secretary. The official list follows:

1, Pi Beta Phi; 2, Kappa Alpha Theta; 3, Kappa Kappa Gamma; 4, Delta Gamma; 5, Alpha Phi; 6, Gamma Phi Beta; 7, Alpha Chi Omega; 8, Delta Delta Delta; 9, Alpha Xi Delta; 10, Chi Omega; 11, Sigma Kappa; 12, Alpha Omicron Pi.

The work of the conference secretary is interesting, but not easy, as she receives all sorts of inquiries from the members in the twelve sororities as well as many other college women and educators. It was especially difficult to undertake the secretaryship at my first conference, but the delegates were so kind and friendly and the discussions so interesting and informal that all was made easy. Some mention of the work of the I. S. C. secretary may be interesting. I took the minutes at that conference, had the report printed and distributed, and attended to the extensive correspondence throughout the year. During the year a constitution for the I. S. C. was proposed and will be adopted by the next conference. I was able to help the work of organizing Women's Social Service Leagues by drawing up a model constitution from the best points of the League constitutions of four colleges. Alpha Xi Delta presided at the fifth conference with Chi Omega as secretary. Our time to act again will not come until the fourteenth I. S. C. Though very instructive and enjoyable, the work is a great deal for any Grand Officer to undertake with demands that come to her from her own sorority. The 1906 conference admitted Sigma Kappa, remodeled its own constitution which had failed to pass two

Grand Presidents and showed greater interest in the Dean's work and social service. The year I was secretary I was able to arrange a joint session of Deans of women of state universities and representative sorority women in Chicago. The report of this session appeared in the May, 1907 journal, and the report of the second session, held in December, 1907, appears in this—May, 1908—number.

A model constitution for Pan Hellenics was drawn up at the fifth conference and has helped these associations to perfect their organization. This year it has been made still more helpful, as the sixth I. S. C. appointed a committee to collect and print all the best points of Pan Hellenic constitutions with helpful suggestions, and this report in connection with the model constitution of last year appears in this number of the journal under the title, "A Report on the Present Condition of Pan Hellenics in the United States." The aim is to make the Pan Hellenic in each school a real, live body and have it accomplish a work during the year better than merely make rushing rules.

High school sororities were condemned at this conference and stringent measures taken to discountenance them. It is felt by prominent educators everywhere, as well as by the Inter-Sorority Conference, that the high school sorority is a counterfeit of the college sorority, that the girls comprising it are too young to appreciate the ends for which college sororities strive, consequently they copy our faults, imitate the outside—and bad side,—the social striving, and make no development in character. High school sorority girls do not, as a rule, make good college sorority girls and most high school sorority girls who have become sorority members in college are no longer in favor of the high school sorority.

As has been said before, the I. S. C. is not a legislative body it could not be legislative and keep its field of usefulness. It is composed of delegates who are not empowered to act directly for their sororities. The custom is to have the same delegates each time and they are so well acquainted with each other and with the policies of their own sororities that they accomplish much but in informal discussions. The spirit of the I. S. C. is as harmonious as a chapter meeting of one's own sorority. The I. S. C.

proposes legislation to the sororities which become laws when approved by all the sororities in the conference. In its six years of life it has made the following laws:

1. There shall be a Pan Hellenic Association in every college where two or more sororities exist.
2. There shall be a pledge day adopted in every college.
3. The pledge day shall be fixed by the Pan Hellenic existing there.
4. No girl shall be asked to join a sorority until she has matriculated.
5. Matriculation is defined as the day of enrollment as a freshman in the college.

These last four rules compose the Inter-Sorority compact that so many did not understand as evinced in last year's examination papers, but I hope that everyone does now. The social service work is another topic that needs additional light. Perhaps the term itself sounds so remote to some of us as to be misleading, but when we realize that any work that takes us outside our own sorority interests and broadens our field of effort in college, whether it be in women's leagues, Y. W. C. A., literary societies, hospital and settlement work for the sorority—anything that is for the good of all college women—when we realize that we should co-operate with the authorities of our institutions to bring about social conditions what will exempt our co-educational system from just criticism, when we realize that if we truly love our sorority it will make us broader and more sympathetic with all, rather than exclusive and selfish—then and not until then can we rightly do the social service work; but when understanding comes, how easy it all is.

Let us urge the Alpha Xi Delta girls to take part in the broader college interests—go to church, teach a Sunday school class, anything to show that we as sorority women stand for high effort and progress.

If the work of the I. S. C. has not meant much to you, if it has seemed theoretical, visionary and impractical I hope that this effort will give a clearer understanding of the real worth of the conference.

Alpha Xi Delta has a place in the I. S. C. beside the older, long-experienced sororities, and joining the I. S. C. has done

much to bring the sorority into recognition as one of those who seek higher and better things. As I. S. C. members we are bound to respect its laws, both in spirit and letter read its reports, and have, an intelligent understanding of its work.

Reference has been made to the custom of sending the same delegate each year, a member of the Grand Council, to represent the sorority at the I. S. C. so that the aims and work may be understood and completed. The delegates become well acquainted and feel free to ask each other's assistance and to discuss specific difficulties. Kappa Alpha Theta, Gamma Phi Beta, Delta Delta Delta have had the same delegate at nearly every conference, and the others are pursuing the same policy when practicable. At the last I. S. C., four grand presidents, two Grand vice-presidents, one grand secretary, one grand treasurer and three past Grand Council members were present as delegates.

As an afterward, let us all take more interest in the "only thing that can bridge the chasm between college theories and life's realities,"—the Inter-Sorority Conference.

Ella Boston Leib, Alpha

OUR GRAND OFFICERS

ELLA BOSTON LEIB—PRESIDENT

Our grand president, Mrs. Ella Boston Leib, was born in Rockland, Maine, November 21, 1877. She later lived in New Castle, Maine, then afterwards with her parents, left the east, and moved to Illinois. In September, 1893, she entered Lombard College, where, according to an early issue of the ALPHA XI DELTA, "she soon developed an unmistakable talent for elocution," and won prizes in three declamation contests. In 1899, she received the degree of A. B. from Lombard, and the following year pursued special courses in elocution at the same college. Later she studied for a year at the Dvorak Dramatic School in Chicago.

Mrs. Leib became a member of Alpha Xi Delta in 1894, and was in 1899 president of her own chapter,—Alpha of Alpha Xi Delta. Her interest has, therefore, been with the sorority almost from its foundation, and even after her graduation from college, she remained one of Alpha chapter's active workers, for her home was in Galesburg.

Her marriage to Dr. John Robert Leib took place, October 29, 1902, and her home has since been in Springfield, Illinois.

When that most important step, making Alpha Xi Delta national, was undertaken, Mrs. Leib worked long and faithfully. She served as the first grand secretary of the sorority. In 1904, she was elected grand president, and has held that office till the present time, having been re-elected in 1905 and again in 1907. She has also been Alpha Xi Delta delegate to the Inter-Sorority Conference for some years past, and presided at a recent meeting of that body.

To say that Mrs. Leib has been faithful and efficient but poorly expresses the extent of her devotion to the cause of Alpha Xi Delta. She has been untiring in her labors and un-failing in her interest in each chapter. She has been a true and loyal leader, and she is for the year to come a wisely chosen President. Capable, attractive, dignified, yet gracious,—she

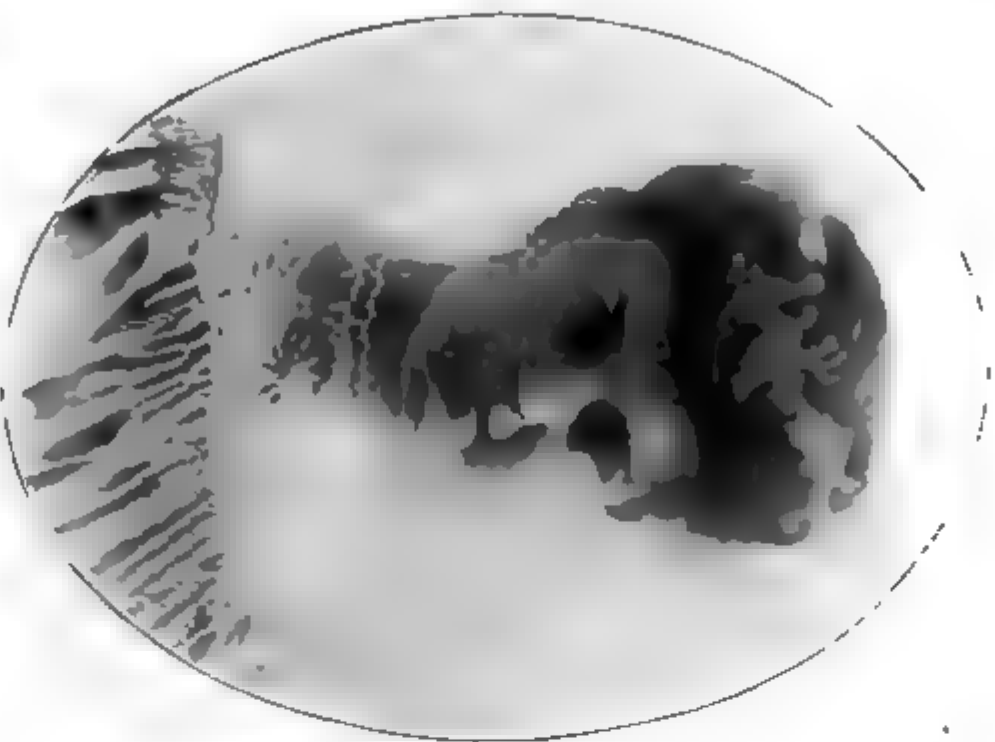


ELLA BOSTON LEIB



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ELLEN BALL

combines in herself the qualities which Alpha Xi Delta should always seek to find in her highest grand officer.

BERTHA CLEVELAND—VICE-PRESIDENT

Bertha G. Cleveland, the recently chosen Grand Vice-President of Alpha Xi Delta, was born in Naples, a little town of Central New York. Here she took her high school course, and later taught two years in one of the Naples' schools.

In 1901 she entered Syracuse University, there completing the classical course with the class of 1905. During her senior year, she became a member of Eta Pi Upsilon,—a small secret society composed of representative fraternity and non-fraternity senior women at Syracuse. At the time of her graduation she was further honored with election to Phi Beta Kappa.

After leaving college, Miss Cleveland taught two years at Sayville, in southern Long Island. At present, she teaches Latin and English in the High School of Waterloo, N. Y.

It was during her Junior year at Syracuse that Miss Cleveland first became interested in Alpha Xi Delta. Her interest was so great that largely through her own efforts she brought about the founding of Eta Chapter. Eta girls are wont to believe that the joys which are theirs in sorority life were made possible mainly by Bertha Cleveland, and they are not unwarranted in this belief.

Bertha's interest is, however, not confined to her own chapter. She attended the Grand Convention of 1905, and was there elected editor of the *ALPHA XI DELTA*. This position she held for two years, filling it with great credit to herself and to the sorority. The work brought her into contact with all the chapters, and personal visits to some of them further widened and deepened her outlook as a fraternity woman. For unavoidable reasons, she was obliged last fall to resign from her position as editor, but the fact that she is still a member of the Grand Committee augurs well for the future policy of Alpha Xi Delta. Her rare good judgment, her tact, her unfailing loyalty to high purposes and high ideals all unite to make her devotion to the sorority the more valuable. She is, indeed, a vice-president of whom we may rightfully be proud.

MARY EMILY KAY—SECRETARY

Mary Emily Kay, the present grand secretary of Alpha Xi Delta, was born in Alliance, Ohio, November 1st, 1882, and was educated in the public schools of that city, from which she graduated in 1899. She entered Mt. Union in the fall of 1899. During her first term she became a member of S. L. C., a local sorority, and at once shared its ambitions. Her fondest hope was realized when S. L. C. became Gamma Chapter of Alpha Xi Delta, the formal installation of the chapter taking place at her home in the summer of 1902.

Gamma has enrolled many enthusiastic members, but Mary Kay has surpassed all others in her tireless and unceasing work for the advancement of Alpha Xi Delta. Not only has her ability been recognized and appreciated by the local chapter, but by the national as well. In 1903 she was made grand chaplain and also served as assistant editor of the sorority journal during the same year. A smile still comes to the faces of the older Gamma girls as they recollect Mary's anxiety for the whereabouts of her prayer book.

She was graduated from Mt. Union College with the class of 1904, receiving the degree of Ph. B. The college records tell us that she was honored with the presidency of her class during her Senior year.

In 1904 the national convention was held at Mt. Union, and at this convention she was chosen grand secretary, and has most efficiently served in this office to the present time. Her disappointment was great when it was necessary that she miss the last national convention in order that she might be present at the opening of the fall semester at the University of Washington, where she is studying this year.

Her wise counsel and sterling qualities have been greatly missed by both active and alumnæ girls at Alliance, but we feel confident they are serving well our new sisters in the west. Her efficiency is so well known in every chapter that nothing need be said as to what can be expected of her as a grand officer. Her four years of faithful service which she has given to the sorority, as its grand secretary, are the best kind of assurance that her work is in good hands.

ELLEN BALL—TREASURER

Ellen Ball, of Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, was elected grand treasurer at the convention held at Morgantown last November. She is one of the charter members of Beta Chapter, and has always taken an active interest in sorority affairs. She is a graduate of Mt. Pleasant High School, and attended college at Iowa Wesleyan University. Miss Ball has also traveled extensively and is eminently fitted for a position as grand officer of the sorority. Coupled with a charming personality and broad knowledge of sorority affairs, she is also possessed of rare business judgment and executive ability. That Miss Ball, as a grand officer, will have a prominent part in the future development and policy of the sorority goes without saying. She is fitted and worthy of any honor which may be given her by Alpha Xi Delta.

In addition to her sorority work, Miss Ball is prominent in the work of the P. E. O. sisterhood, which was organized at Mt. Pleasant at Iowa Wesleyan University. For two years she has been the president of Original Chapter "A", and was one of the delegates from Iowa to the grand convention held last fall. This spring she goes as the delegate from her own chapter to the state convention for the fourth consecutive year.

It will be seen that our treasurer brings to the Grand Committee experience which will be most advantageous to Alpha Xi Delta along all lines; in addition to this, her personal qualifications promise unusual efficiency in the performance of the duties of her office.

CLARA SALMER—HISTORIAN

Clara Salmer, our new historian, modestly refuses to tell much about herself. She was born in Vermillion, South Dakota, and there attended the public schools. Later she entered the University of South Dakota, and completed the course in that institution leading to the degree of A. B. She afterwards took a course in library science at the University of Illinois.

Miss Salmer was a charter member of Epsilon Chapter, and is a very enthusiastic and loyal Alpha. Those of us who had had the pleasure of meeting her at convention last fall know her to be a most attractive and interesting girl, and we feel sure that our convention made no mistake in placing her upon the Grand Committee.

AN ALPHA XI DELTA RED LETTER DAY

There are, in every land, many days very dear to the hearts of the people, days of great import which concern their life as a nation. Perhaps it is the birthday of some national hero of peace or war who has conquered with the pen or the sword, the anniversary of a day on which the nation was founded, received a new lease of life, escaped some great calamity, or gained its independence. Such days we find in every clime; but we are most familiar with the holidays of our own land. We look forward to them and make a great preparation, but often forget their true significance.

The year rolls around; Thanksgiving day comes, and with it, family reunions. Aunts, uncles and cousins gather, from far and near, around the board groaning with its weight of turkey, vegetables, nuts and old fashioned desserts. Even the poorest home has long looked forward to this day, and celebrates it with some extra dish. We eat, drink and are merry; but how few of us spend even an hour of that day thanking God for the blessings which he has showered upon us during the past year, and poured upon this nation since that first New England Thanksgiving when the ships came from across the sea.

We spend the Fourth of July amid the sound of fire crackers and cannon, and end the day with a grand display of fireworks. The last red light burns low and flickers into darkness. But how many have thought during that day of our independence and the men who gave their lives for it? How many have remembered that our nation had its birth that day?

Thus our country serves its heroes; but how does the world treat the great world conquerer, the King of Kings and the Lord of Lords? Each year we celebrate His birthday and resurrection; but what do the words Christmas and Easter call up? Christmas has come to mean a day of gifts. It brings to the child-mind stories of Santa Claus, stockings hung by the fire place, or Christmas trees loaded with gifts. Perhaps one of its memories is the oft repeated chapter with the angel's song of "Peace on Earth;" but usually the unspeakable gift is for-

gotten, that gift which should keep Christmas in our hearts all the year.

And Easter! These beautiful spring days tell us that it is very near. The robin has come, the grass is fast growing green, and spring in all its beauty is upon us. Soon the violets will peep from the green, and in that season will come Easter, the anniversary of the day which, years ago, founded our religion, a religion which ought to keep the highest ideals before us to control our lives.

As a sorority, we too, have read letter days, which are of utmost importance to us, and among them Founder's Day, heads the list. It is pleasant to think that the founding of our dear Alpha Xi Delta took place so near Easter, the day on which was founded the religion from which we have drawn our fraternity principles. Founders' Day and Easter Day, names which should live in the heart of every loyal Alpha Xi Delta! The noblest of sorority ideals based upon true religious life!

The principles emanating from both may be neglected or quite forgotten. We are apt to mistake the form for the spirit, even as we forget the meaning of our national holidays. As some think that church suppers are Christianity, and are satisfied to spend one hour a week in church, and then to go out and live careless lives for six days, so we can forget the real meaning of our sorority. We can make great preparations for Founder's day, buy something for our chapter house, receive gifts from our alumnae, have our freshmen entertain us with a play, and perchance have our history read. Then, standing in our charmed circle, we may sing a few songs, and enter upon the work of another year pronouncing Founders' day a great success.

But no matter how much time and effort we put into rushing during that year, no matter how many social functions form a part of our college life, we may still be very poor Alpha Xi Deltas. Rushing parties are not Alpha Xi Delta any more than church suppers are the church. Just as soon as we lose sight of our ideals, the message of our pink rose, and that of our colors three, just so soon the sorority ceases to exist for us, and let us lose sight of them for long, the sorority has lost a member. Enrolled in name, we are not united in heart, and

are worse than useless. Not only have we lost the greatest blessing which our sorority can give, but we become a dead weight drawing other loyal girls away from that which we have forsaken.

May we not work together to make Founders' day a precious time, when we will call up the principles which are the spirit of Alpha Xi Delta, and through which only can she live? I ask, dear Alpha Xi Deltas, that you make it a time when we will gain strength for the year to come, and then, through all the ensuing months, live our principles every day.

Ida Elaine Putnam, Eta.

TELL-TALE

As I came to the very topmost stair,
He tugged at my coat and tangled my hair.
Howling, wailing, whistling, he flew,
Closer his whirling circles grew,
As he pointed his scornful finger blue,
Screaming with every gust anew,
“ 'Twas you, you, you-oo-o! ”

Who puts off duties from sun to sun?
Who failed to curb a heedless tongue?
Guilt stung my cheeks to a crimson hue,
I closed my ears, but the sound came through,
Still pointed that doleful finger blue,
With wailing query, “Who, who, whoo?
’Twas you, you, you-oo-o!”

You can't hide sins while breezes blow,
For they, Midas learned, tell all they know.
Old Aeolus cries each folly you do,
So keep that path which is straight and true,
That you may laugh at his finger blue,
And answer that query, “Who, who, who?”
“ 'Tis not you, you, you-oo-o! ”

Amy Viola Richards, Lambda



Administration Building. University of Washington



Phi Delt Path, University of Washington

KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA

Kappa Kappa Gamma was founded at Monmouth, Ill., on October 13th, 1870, the anniversary of which day is generally celebrated by its chapters.

From the foundation of the fraternity until 1878, the executive power was vested in the parent chapter, and for the succeeding three years in the chapter at Illinois Wesleyan. The convention of 1881 replaced this system by a grand council, composed of four elective members, who attend to the affairs of the fraternity during the interval between the conventions. Later, however, one more officer was added to the list of the grand chapter until now there are the president, secretary, treasurer, registrar, and editor. The sorority journal is called "The Key." Its first number appeared in May, 1882, under the title of "The Golden Key." It was the first journal published by a women's fraternity. A very unique publication has been the Kappa Kappa Gamma calendar in chart form. It contains daily quotations and the date of founding of each chapter.

The badge is a golden key an inch in length. On the stem are the letters "K K Γ," and on the ward the letters "Α Ω Ο" in enamel. Each badge bears the chapter letter. The colors are shades of light and dark blue. The flower is the fleur-de-lis.

Following is a list of the chapters of Kappa Kappa Gamma:

Monmouth College.	Simpson College.
Knox College.	Boston University.
Smithsonian College.	University of Iowa.
Indiana University.	Northwestern University.
Illinois Wesleyan University.	Adrian College.
Rockford Seminary.	University of Syracuse.
University of Wisconsin.	Cornell University.
University of Missouri.	University of Kansas.
De Pauw University.	University of Nebraska.
University of Worcester.	University of Cincinnati.
Buchtel College.	Allegheny College.
Butler College.	Ohio State University.
Franklin College.	University of Pennsylvania.
St. Lawrence University.	University of Michigan.
Ohio Wesleyan University.	Barnard College.

University of California.
 University of Minnesota.
 Hillsdale College.
 Lassere Seminary.

Stanford University.
 Swarthmore College.
 University of Colorado.
 Tulane University.

Washington State University.

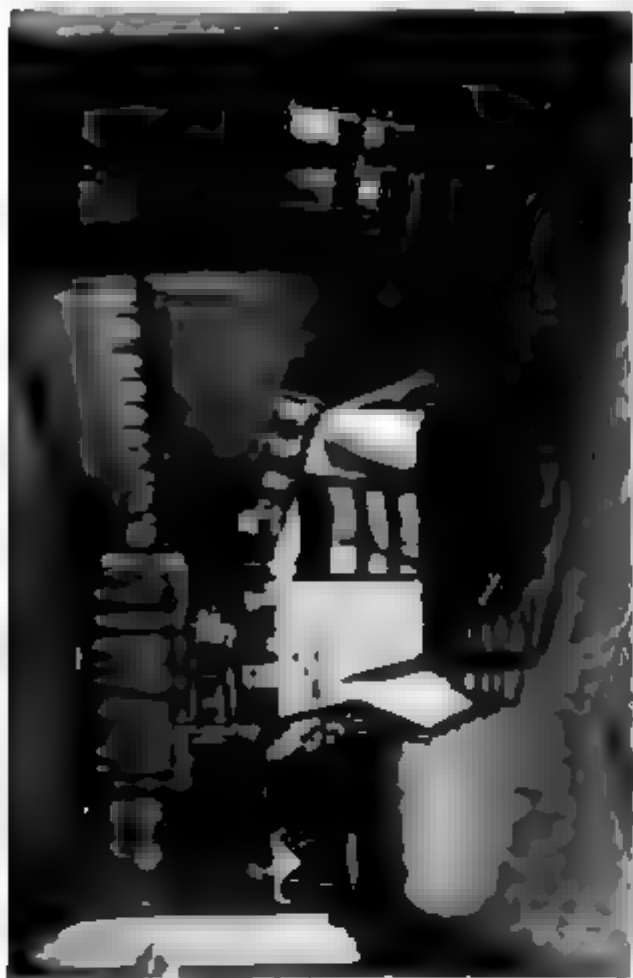
Of these chapters, twenty-nine are active, and the remaining ten inactive. There are also thirty-two alumnae associations. Thirteen of the active chapters rent houses.

Kappa Kappa Gamma has a total membership of 4,234, the active membership being about 500, and the average initiation 200.

NU'S CHAPTER HOUSE

"If you like, we will put you in charge of Nu's official guides, the poor freshmen, and take you a journey through Nu-land. First, we will sit on the wide porch that runs across the front of the house and enjoy the scenery and spring sunshine. You know we are not far from the campus with its rambling, woodsey paths and starry dog-wood just in bloom. If you are ready we will go into the reception room; now you see it is prettily paneled in dark wood according to the mission style. Yes, we surely enjoy the cozy corner by the big fire-place; it often comes in handy. Those stairs lead to the upper regions and the girl's dainty rooms; sometime we will take you up there. That is our chapter room, beyond the wide arch; we find it very bright and comfortable. Those pennants are collected from many sources and the full book-cases show how very studious we are. Back of this room you can see our long, narrow dining room whose walls and furnishings also are in mission effect. That door leads into the cook's kingdom which consists of a nice kitchen, pantry, servants' rooms, and back porch. They lie back of the reception room, you see. Let us go back there now and have a good talk. There are ten girls in the house at present, and a jolly crowd they are. Two new ones have just delighted us by moving in; they are such fine girls and will make splendid sisters. Remember that we are always glad to welcome you here and give our love to our other dear sisters, wherever they may be."

Dorothy Mason, Nu, '11.



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Mabel Dewey Bright

MABEL DEWEY BRIGHT

Mabel, wife of Rev. Harry E. Bright, pastor of the M. E. church at Damascus, Ohio, died at her home in that place on Tuesday afternoon, March 17, 1908, at one-twenty o'clock, after an illness of six weeks from septisaemia.

She was the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Dewey, at present a presiding elder in the eastern Ohio conference, and was born at Orange, Ohio, March 15, 1882.

She received her education at Mount Union college, where she is well remembered as a close student, and for a long period as secretary of the Y. W. C. A., and an active worker in all church organizations.

On August 15, 1905, she was united in marriage to Rev. Harry Bright, at Massillon, Ohio, where her parents were living at that time. Soon after their marriage, they went to New Waterford, where Mr. Bright was located as pastor of the church. Remaining there for two years they removed to Damascus, Ohio, in September, 1907.

She leaves a husband and one child, six weeks old, besides a host of friends.

She was a member of the local society of S. L. C., and became a member of the Alpha Xi Delta. She was loyal to her sorority and always took an active part in all of Gamma's affairs.

She had a sweet and loving disposition, and was always ready to lend a helping hand to any one, and therefore had many friends.

She roomed at the sorority house while at Mount Union college and all the girls loved her dearly. She was the kind of a girl that we all liked to have as a friend and sister.

The funeral took place on Thursday, conducted by Presiding Elder J. C. Smith, of Alliance, Ohio, and interment was made in Grand View Cemetery, Salem, Ohio.

Death came to her as a sleep, and her hope bridged the dark valley between the two worlds.

IOTA'S MARY-GO-ROUND

(A vacation suggestion for other chapters.—Ed.)

It began with "Mary Meek," who made out the "route," and wrote the first letter soon after commencement. The family was just settled down at Lawnvale for the long summer's rest, after a strenuous nine-months as a "professor's family" in Morgantown. But there was no danger of their losing any Alpha Xi Delta enthusiasm, according to "Mary Meek," for Lawnvale is a wonderful place, "The sunsets are always in double blue and gold, there are pink roses in the old garden, and even the chickens and turkeys (Would you believe it?) all wear quills!"

Then came Drusilla Johnson with an account of the Bethany College commencement at which four Alpha Xi Delta girls were graduated. Nancy Coplin did not write an essay on "My Cares as a Schoolmarm," for fear of either giving us all nervous prostration or putting us to sleep. She didn't like the idea, either, that all "wearers of quills" were Alpha Xi Deltas, for one of them was her particular enemy, and she seemed eager to try her new knowledge of cooking on him at once.

"Mabel Jane" told of delightful visits among the girls at Morgantown without any professors to be reckoned with the next day. And of quite as much interest were her notes of the "boys," and her solemn warning to Drusilla about one in particular. Mabelle and Blanche Watkins were having many picnics and rows and "swims" on the river. Blanche liked especially to teach other girls to swim because she loved to hear them squeal when they first struck the water. They enclosed a snap-shot taken as they "paddled their own canoe."

Ethel Green was having her vacation troubles scrambling up and down the hills, "trying to name every green thing in sight and to satisfy Dr. Sheldon's misguided curiosity about the exact number of legs the wooly caterpillar has." She adds however, "I let someone else pick the animal up." "Mary Stewart" told of "black berrying fun," and vacation trips, and invites the whole chapter to a trip in the launch. Crystal was in the

midst of Summer school examinations, but snatched a moment to give the latest university news, and to get even with "Mabel Jane" about some of the boys.

Bertha Jane Smith had made some convention plans and Bess Sadler had taken a long pleasure-trip to Washington and Jamestown with four Alpha girls from Delta chapter. Lillian, also, had been to Washington and was resting at a fine old country-place in eastern West Virginia where she could be as lazy as the squirrels that play in the groves around the house.

Leda had been in Kentucky, and enclosed a new "fratsong," by "Mary Meek," for the girls to try on their pianos." "Mary Coop" was away down in sunny Tennessee, and with a hammock under a canopy of tree branches and a lovely river to swim in, was getting as "shiftless and good-for-nothing as any Tennessee mountaineer,"—a strange thing to one who knows Mary Coop's strenuous nature.

"Mary Chad" was having a jolly vacation "cramming" German, but she seems to find time for several other things between times. Helen wrote from her "cosy nest" in South Park. Lucile, who had been with Delta chapter the past year, described the annual banquet, and sent a loving message to each girl. And last of all, Cora Jackson in North Carolina, "a land of white sand, negroes, and cotton," wrote much of interest about the people she had met.

Perhaps you think all this was trivial, for Iota, as usual, went in for a good time when her work was over. Some bits of nonsense like "Mary Meek's" "quills," and "Mary Stewart's" blackberries ran through all the letters. But we realized that the letter was, as several girls remarked, "as good as frat meeting, exactly," and kept up the Alpha spirit which otherwise might have lagged.

Then, what we think is best of all, the letter did not stop with the opening of school, but goes "Maryly" on its way among the girls who could not come back, carrying each time a long letter from the chapter with all the latest news of "frat" doings and plans.

Iota

THE ALPHA XI DELTA SONG BOOK

The song book is out at last! It has been wanted, and enquired about, and unheard of, for so long, that it almost had been given up in despair. But now it is really ready, with more than half a hundred inspiring songs for us. Especially had those who had it in charge begun to feel anxious at the long delay following the reading of the proof sheets. They were tempted to wonder if perhaps after all the large bundles of manuscript, so laboriously read, were only a part of a dream so vivid that it seemed real. However, the dream has materialized, greatly to the delight of all concerned. We earnestly hope that it will meet the expectations of every chapter.

In Eta chapter, the first Friday evening after the song books were received, the girls seated themselves on the floor, and sang nearly every song between the covers of the book. Was that not a warm welcome? It seems hardly necessary to bespeak a like reception for it elsewhere, for we are sure each Alpha girl wants to own a copy of the book.

The price of the book was fixed by our convention last fall at 75c per copy, payable in advance. For each copy ordered, 4c extra must be enclosed for postage.

Address all orders to

MARGARET HOORD,

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EVERY DAY COUNCIL

PERSONALITY IN THE SORORITY

It is a well known saying that we become like our ideals. The ideal sorority life is that which always, under all circumstances, upholds and exemplifies the beautiful teachings of the sorority. Then the question arises, do we each possess enough individuality to strive to attain the ideal as it appears to us, or will we allow ourselves to drift in the wake of the vessels who have set sail in previous days and whose splendid abilities have commended our admiration?

I plead for the development of personality in sorority life. As each flower of the field, each tree in the forest has its own individuality, so each human mind has its own particular beauty and charm of originality in manner and expression. It is the "ego" that must express itself in a manner peculiar to itself and with words which are its own in order to do the best of which it is capable. Like David of old, we had better cast aside the heavy armour which is not our own and fight our battles in life with only a sling and stone, if by that means we can obtain the best results and stamp the work as our own.

How monotonous the world would become if all persons had the same outline of face and figure! Think of the effect if even one feature, for instance the nose, was of the same general shape on each individual's face! How tiresome, too, if all persons adopted the same particular style of dress! Now would we not be just a mirror, if we adopted other's ways of thinking and acting? The remark was once made concerning a certain club that they all seemed to possess a marked degree of individuality before they were members, but afterwards each one seemed to cast off his own personality and in all his work and actions assumed that of the former members. Do we who desire to do our utmost for the sorority, whose name we bear with so much pride, wish to be known in this way? Surely not, for in that state of affairs progress is impossible and in the complexity of human nature no two persons are alike. Let us study nature,

and as her objects each possess their own individuality—yet blend into one perfect whole, so may our individual characteristics and personalities blend into one harmonious sisterhood.

Let us then never be slaves either in thought or action, but may we always cherish the gift of personality that heaven has bestowed upon us.

Wilda Mathias, Gamma.

A 'SUGGESTION FOR SUMMER

Vacation time, which is now so close at hand for another year, must, of necessity, be primarily a time of rest and recreation for the college girl. Were it not for this yearly respite for the recuperation of worn nerves and tired brain, few of us could withstand the strenuous round of work and worry and fun for a four years course.

But vacation may also be a time for planning, and often the next year's "extras" may be materially lightened by a little thought during our leisure summer hours.

How easily, if we only would, might we plan out the details of some gay little party for the girls next year—pretty schemes of room and table decoration, and new forms of entertainment for the inevitable rushing parties, as well as for the larger, more formal functions,

The time element,—which is always so sorely lacking in school days,—can hardly be overestimated in the planning of such affairs. Without care in detail, the best effect is not obtainable. Only when the scheme has been some time in mind do the little touches which go so far toward success unite harmoniously.

So, some cool, rainy day, let us mount the attic stairs and overhaul the accumulated treasures there. The unlimited possibilities in the way of fancy costumes hidden away in the dark corners can hardly fail to fire the fancy of the least imaginative. A very little thought will plan out and a few minutes suffice for nimble fingers to fashion a costume as dainty or as grotesque as one could wish.

All this need take but little time,—such as perhaps would

otherwise be idly spent. And next year the girl with her fancy costumes safely stored away and her head full of new ideas can do her part on the committee in a way to make her less thoughtful sisters rise up and call her blessed. Besides, neither her college work nor her own "appearance" will suffer so severely thereby, as is now too often the case with the overburdened sorority "committeeman."

EXPANSION FROM A WESTERNER'S POINT OF VIEW

The power of voting upon petitions given to the different chapters and to each member of the Grand Committee is of more consequence than might be supposed. It is a responsibility which each voter should weigh heavily before making her final decision.

Without extensive travel it is hard to know and to realize the vast differences that exist between the various parts of our United States. We must always bear in mind that in such a vast territory we have room for greatly varying conditions. Some of these come from differences in climate, which produce corresponding effects in temperament; some are caused by differences in ideas and ideals; and others by varying financial conditions and occupations.

The great mistake so very often made is that of judging the students in other colleges by the conditions prevailing in our own. Unless we make ourselves familiar with the life in other colleges by putting ourselves into their environments we are not prepared competently to judge of them. Much as we love our own chapter, not one of us would wish to have all the other chapters duplicates of our own. To make a perfect whole, our sorority requires the qualities which the northerner, the southerner, the easterner and the westerner will bring us.

Would it not be well for each and every one of us to educate herself to see from the others' point of view? Let us make an honest endeavor to become better acquainted with all conditions and lay aside all prejudices before we make our final decisions.

Rosalia McNamara, Nu

EDITORIALS

The JOURNAL is published for the good of Alpha Xi Delta, for the greatest good of the largest possible number of her members. Just what our quarterly ought to be to meet such requirements is the problem ever before the minds of the editorial staff. However, could the members of the staff receive the co-operation of every sister, the time and labor spent upon the JOURNAL might be much more fruitful of helpful results. We do not now refer to the matter of subscribing for the JOURNAL. Every Alpha should do this as a matter of course, and we covet for our subscription list the name of every alumna. Neither do we here have in mind business-like promptness in replying to letters and requests from members of the staff, though such promptness is often more desirable than it is prevalent. The co-operation we now ask for consists of ideas and suggestions, especially from the alumnae. Every sister,—active or alumna,—understands the local conditions and problems of her chapter better than the editor possibly can. It is, therefore, in that sister's power to tell us what discussions and articles are most needed by her chapter. Then oftentimes there appears in some publication which the editor never sees,—even though perhaps she should do so,—an article which would be most interesting and helpful to our readers. If you find such articles, send them to us. If you want a discussion on a certain subject, tell us so. If you can, give us your ideas on it. Don't be afraid of offering suggestions too often or too soon. The JOURNAL is yours to help, and to help you.



The results of this year's annual sorority examinations show the necessity for study of the fraternity world. Half of this list of questions were upon topics of general sorority interest, and many chapters were surprised to find how little accurate knowledge was possessed. The papers, for the most part, show a lack of thought and study along these lines. The last convention adopted Mrs. Ida Shaw-Martin's Sorority Hand Book

as the official reference book of the sorority, but no rule was made obliging the chapters to purchase it, as the belief was that its intrinsic worth would recommend it. Since examinations are over the chapters will realize the necessity for such information as the Hand Book contains, for more than one will be disappointed at the low average received, and it is hoped that every chapter will purchase enough copies to supply its members. *Purchase the Hand Book and study it thoroughly before next year's examinations.* Alpha Xi Delta requires her girls to be well informed on general sorority lines and there is no better source of handy and accurate information than the Sorority Hand Book.



The welcome news that Alpha Xi Delta song book is now ready for circulation doubtless reached many of our chapters some weeks ago. However, we are pleased to make announcement of it elsewhere in these pages, and to bespeak for it a cordial reception from every chapter. The long felt want of such a book warrants us in saying that it must surely prove most serviceable and helpful. We trust that it will also be a source of much pleasure and Alpha Xi Delta enthusiasm.



The question of fraternity extension is being widely discussed in current numbers of college, fraternity, and other publications. We note that many of the articles on this subject copy from Baird's "Manual of American College Fraternities" the date of Alpha Xi Delta's founding. Mr. Baird incorrectly gives it as 1902. Alpha of Alpha Xi Delta was founded April 17, 1893, though it was not till 1902 that she established her Beta chapter and became known as a "national" organization. The sorority has, therefore, just observed "Founders' Day" for the fifteenth year, and to this fact, we most respectfully call attention.



Great care should be taken in selecting chapter officers. Too many girls are chosen for their popularity rather than for their fitness to discharge the duties of an office. A safe rule is never

to elect an underclassman to the important offices,—president, corresponding secretary and treasurer, but elect to these the older and more experienced girls, while the freshmen are in training for the higher and more responsible places. A certain amount of responsibility should fall to the underclassmen in order to develop executive ability and a realization of the sorority's aims, but give the freshmen the minor offices.



All subscriptions, orders for JOURNALS, and instructions or inquiries relating to the mailing of the JOURNAL should be addressed to the business manager or her assistant. Only matter intended for publication, or communications relative to such matter should be addressed to the editor. The exchange department is in charge of the associate editor, and any questions or instructions regarding exchanges are to be sent to her. We make these statements because the organization of the work of the staff does not seem to be understood by our subscribers. The members of the staff will consider it an especial favor if the chapter editors and other correspondents will keep in mind these facts, and put them into actual practice.



The series of brief historical sketches which we are publishing concerning sororities other than our own has been arranged according to the order in which the various societies were founded. According to that sequel, the article on Kappa Kappa Gamma should have preceded the one on Delta Gamma which was published in our last number. But since the sketch of Kappa Kappa Gamma was inadvertently omitted, it appears in this number.

EXCHANGES

EXCHANGE EDITOR, . . . GERTRUDE E. WRIGHT.

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We gratefully acknowledge the following publications, calling attention to a few of the many interesting and instructive articles :

Kappa Alpha Theta :

March—"Fraternity Extension." (In connection with this article are carefully prepared maps, showing geographical extent and establishment, with respect to time of women's fraternities.)

The Delta Chi Quarterly :

February—"On to Syracuse." (This article announces the coming of the 14th annual convention to be held in Syracuse April 20, 21, 22.)

"Was the Second Hague Conference a Farce?" Edwin Maxey.

The Mask of Kappa Psi :

January—(This number contains an account of the 10th annual convention, held at Philadelphia.)

The Trident of Delta Delta Delta :

February—(As Alpha Xi Delta was unable to be represented at the Deans Conference, thanks for this report is due to the "Trident of Delta Delta Delta.")

CONFERENCE OF DEANS OF WOMEN OF STATE UNIVERSITIES.

The annual meeting of the Deans of Women of State Universities was held at the Stratford hotel, Chicago, Ill., December 19 and 20. Deans of Women were present from most of the State Universities in the territory as far west as Lincoln, Nebraska, and as far east as Ithaca, New York. Following the precedent of two years ago, Dean Jordan, of Michigan, through the secretary of the Inter-Sorority Conference invited each fraternity in the Conference to send a delegate to the afternoon session of December 20. The following fraternities were represented by those who have come to be regarded as the regular conference delegates :

Π Β Φ—Miss Elizabeth Gamble, Grand President.

K Α Θ—Mrs. Norton, formerly district Vice-President.

Α Φ—Mrs. Cora McElroy.

X Ω—Miss Jobelle Holcombe, Council Member.

Δ Δ Δ—Mrs. Amy Parmelee, Grand President.

Α Ο Π—Mrs. Bigelow.

Δ Γ—Miss Margaret Shepherd, Grand Treasurer.

Α Χ Ω—Mrs. Dennis.

Σ K—was represented but K K Γ, Γ Φ B and A Ξ Δ were not. Miss Powers who had just returned from her western trip of Chapter inspection for Delta Delta Delta, and who had met the Deans of Women in the five State Universities visited, was present and renewed her acquaintance with three of the five. Miss Holcombe, X Ω, was a unique representative, in attendance as Dean of Women from Arkansas and representing her fraternity also. Other fraternity representatives among the Deans were Mrs. Woodward, A Φ, of Wisconsin, former visiting delegate for her fraternity, and Miss Comstock, Δ Γ, the new Dean of Women of Minnesota.

Dean Jordan presided, and the afternoon was spent in a most helpful discussion of University problems, especially as they touched fraternity life and Chapters in the State universities. The discussion, both on the part of the Deans and the fraternity representatives was most frank, criticisms were freely exchanged, and most helpful suggestions were offered on both sides. Among the questions which were considered were such as the scholarship of fraternity women, the complex social life, fraternity house management, house rules and chaperones particularly the social status of chaperones, both in Chapter life and in university circles, co-operation of local fraternity alumnæ, value of the office of visiting delegate or Chapter inspector, value of late pledge day and part of faculty in determining same, and the discussion of certain local problems in which the fraternity representatives were much interested. A motion was passed by the Deans that from the minutes of the Dean's Conference, the circulation of which is confined to the Deans in attendance, Mrs. Woodard, A Φ, should compile the most helpful suggestions and recommendations made both by the Deans and by the fraternity representatives, and that a copy of this compilation should be sent to the secretary of the Inter-Sorority conference who would then plan for the wide circulation of the same in the different fraternities represented in the conference. The session proved all too short for all present.

This account of the conference appeared in the Minnesota Alumni for January 6, and gives the resolutions passed by the conference:

“Dean Ada L. Comstock attended the third meeting of the deans of women representing the Universities of Wyoming, Minnesota, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Kansas, Missouri, North Dakota, Nebraska, Maine and Arkansas, which was held in Chicago December 19th and 20th. The following resolutions were adopted as expressing the sentiment of the deans present at this conference:

“The conference is unanimously agreed that social life among students is excessive; that this excess is a menace to the maintenance of a high standard of scholarship; that social functions should be limited to two nights a week, and should close not later than midnight.

“There should be a complete segregation in lodging-houses occupied by women. There should be provided a reception-room on the

first floor and such houses should be personally supervised by the dean of women.

“There should be university resident halls and in these halls there should always be a certain proportion of upper-classmen.

“The self-government of students should be encouraged not only among the student body at large but also within smaller groups.

“There should be no inter-collegiate athletic contests for women, and dramatic and musical organizations in which women take part should not give out-of-town performances.

“There should be a scholarship standard of eligibility for participation in interclass athletics and there should be a test on scholarship and physical fitness for participation in dramatic and musical events.

“The conference concurs with the inter-sorority conference in recommending sophomore pledging.”

The Crescent of Gamma Phi Beta:

March—“Greek Letter Societies and College Life.”

President Seelye, of Smith College, has an article in the September *Ladies' Home Journal* on the “Influence of Sororities,” in which he has much to say on this very point. He speaks of the fact that the lives of women are necessarily contracted and their acquaintance limited so that the college life gives them the greater breadth of interest which they need. The sorority possesses all the qualities of the home life by narrowing the circle of friendship to its own members, and thus counteracts one of the great benefits to be obtained from the college life. To quote a bit, he says: “It lessens their interest in communal life and their sense of obligation which membership in the academic family imposes.”

Any sorority woman who reads this article must feel that President Seelye's judgment is rather severe and his conclusions one-sided, for he does not give a single paragraph in consideration of any benefits to be obtained from the sorority, while admitting a possible advantage in the fraternity.

We have all seen the shy, awkward freshman transformed into a charming self-possessed sophomore, through the influence of her sorority sisters. Such a girl would have retired to a quiet corner whence no friendly hand would have drawn her forth in a woman's college where the sorority is tabooed. We have all seen the fun-loving, irresponsible girl suddenly develop a perfect genius for responsibility and became the bulwark of the chapter. Then there is the girl indifferent to her marks whom the watchful oversight of the chapter incites to more industry with the honor of the chapter for a motive.

“Rushing.” (This article urges that the sorority girl shall not “rush” according to the scholastic definition of the term, which means “to drive or push with violent haste,” “to enter precipitately.”

"The Value of the Chapter Letter."

A great deal can be said about the form and quality of the chapter letter and a great deal is always being said about it. We constantly hear, "write legibly, on one side of the sheet only, spell proper names correctly, keep a notebook to jot down the events of the quarter as they happen, etc., etc." Too much cannot be said about it all, but these are little things that tell only too surely the attitude of her chapter, through the correspondent, toward the chapter letter which is the one vital touch with its sister chapters.

The editor of *Beta Theta Pi* says:

The function of *Beta Theta Pi* and all similar journals is first and foremost to afford a medium for the publication of chapter letters. Its secondary functions are to keep the fraternity informed concerning its doings collectively and the doings of its members individually when such doings are noteworthy, to note the progress of colleges and institutions and other fraternities and in general too keep in touch with the fraternity side of college life.

The Frater of Psi Omega:

November—"The Common Faith and Duty of Pan Hellenism." Walter James Sears, Sigma Nu Fraternity.

January.

March—"Ethical Relations Between Professional Men." *Northwestern Dental Journal.*

The Shield of Phi Kappa Psi:

March—"The College Home Life as a Means of Securing a Right Moral Atmosphere for Students." Clarence F. Birdseye. (This article is also printed in the March number of the *Phi Gamma Delta*.)

The fraternities, in their present shape, have grown out of the need for a new form of college family life; they have in part supplied such need and thereby have directed attention to it; but they have not created the need, and because they are homes they are largely limited, in supplying that need, to the good they can do within their own doors and to the example which they can set to those without. It is unfortunate, at this time, when we need to think clearly on the true meaning of the college home, that the question should be complicated by the high school fraternities, which bear about the same relation to the college fraternities that Mormonism does to Christianity.

The college family life, like that of any other home, is concealed from the public view and fully known only to members of the family. Otherwise it is not true family life. But this very secrecy bands its members together to hide the shortcomings of their fellows, and makes it difficult to reform it from without. Its seclusiveness is now rather that of a well-bred home than that of a secret society, and shows that any reforms that may be needed must come from within

the home itself. College sentiment has always delighted to thwart the efforts of the faculty to interfere in the students' family life. This was so in our own days and will always be so.

To be ideal and to give it permanence the college home should embrace the upper and lower class men, the graduate and undergraduate, for all these can be educated and developed therein. Our children educate us almost as much as we educate them. The older brother is trained and developed through the responsibility of setting an example to and protecting the younger children, who look up to him as the "big brother." An only child is likely to be spoiled because he lives only to himself. Hence there are true educative conditions in the fraternity home where members of all classes are intimately gathered together.

President Wilson, in his memorandum concerning the proposed residential quads at Princeton, our chief non-fraternity college, voices this thought in the following significant words :

"It is clear to every one that the life of the university can be best regulated and developed only when the underclassmen are in constant association with upperclassmen, upon such terms as to be formed and guided by them." He states one of the objects of the Quads to be "to give to the university the kind of common consciousness which apparently comes from closer sorts of social contact, to be had only outside the class-room, and most easily to be got about a common table and in the contacts of a common life."

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I urge you most earnestly to give attention to the student life, and especially to that portion of it which we have called the college family life, whether fraternity or non-fraternity, and look upon the fraternities as logical growths—not as inherent evils, but as the line of least resistance and of the most immediate promise. But whether or not you agree with me as to the fraternities, I beg you to give immediate heed to the family life of our students. We shall be nearest the truth when we realize that at present the college family life is more nearly related to the parents' home than it is to the pedagogy of the college, and should be studied and treated accordingly. We must come to appreciate that the ninety per cent. of the student life, with all its activities and interests, may be greater, educationally, than the ten per cent. of pedagogy, and quite as well worthy of earnest and intelligent thought and action, and that the heart of that ninety per cent. for any individual in his college family life, whatever form that family life may take.

The Scroll of Phi Delta Theta :

February—"The Legal Status of a College Fraternity Chapter." Olcott D. Partridge. (Taken from the *Shield of Θ Δ Χ*.)

The Garnet and White of Alpha Chi Rho:

January—"Culture Among Greek Letter Men." "Washington and Lee University.

The Desmos of Delta Sigma Delta:

February—(This number is rich in chapter letters.)

The Alpha Phi Quarterly:

February—"Alpha Phi in Y. W. C. A. Work." "The Round Table—Alpha Phi and the College World."

Beta Theta Pi:

February—"Union College." "Reunion of District X and Banquet at Chicago."

The Phi Gamma Delta:

February—"A Memorial to the Founders."

March—"A 'Kipling' Symposiæ."

The Themis of Zeta Tau Alpha:

February—"Alumnæ Spirit." "The Temple."

The Record of Sigma Alpha Epsilon:

March—"Congressional Fraternity Men." (An interesting table of representatives is published, with their colleges and fraternities.)

"S. A. E. Foot-ball Warriors.

The Delta Upsilon Quarterly:***The Elensis of Chi Omega:******The Anchora of Delta Gamma:***

ANNOUNCEMENT

Delta Delta Delta announces the establishment of Beta Zeta Chapter, at Kentucky University, Saturday, February twenty-second, nineteen hundred and eight.

CHAPTER LETTERS

BETA

Dear Sisters:

Beta Chapter celebrated Founders' Day by entertaining her six patronesses at a six o'clock dinner given at the home of Miss May Johnson. The house was beautifully decorated in our colors and on entering the dining room all were greeted by the beautiful and artistic work which the decorating committee had so faithfully done. In the center of the table was a large bunch of Alpha roses and these, with the dainty sprays of smilax and the artistic place cards, gave a most pleasing effect to the table. The following menu was served:

Chilled Fruit	Nabisco
Roast Chicken	Sage Dressing
Mashed Potatoes	Mint Sherbert
Spiced Apples	Finger Rolls
Nut Salad	Wafers
Maple Mousse	Maud S. Cake
Fondant in colors	
Coffee	

After the dinner a most excellent toast program was given. The committee had carried out the idea of the "Alpha Ship" in the following program:

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| Toast Mistress: | Helen Coe |
| 1. Launching | Ellen Ball |
| "Sail forth into the sea, O ship
Through wind and wave right onward steer." | |
| 2. The Crew | Mildred Brady |
| "We are happy and free
As a crew can be
And our bark is sailing
Over the sea!" | |
| 3. The Pilot | Mrs. W. F. Kopp |
| "Set thy sails warily,
Steer thy course steadily,
Tempests will come." | |
| 4. The Course | Amy Cheny |
| "Well, then, our course is chosen—
Spread the sail!" | |
| 5. At Sea | Mabel Duncan |
| "Wouldst thou learn the secret of the sea?
Only those who brave its dangers
Comprehend its mystery." | |

Another thing which I think interesting was an over Sunday house party which Miss May Johnson gave to her Alpha sisters. There were fourteen of

us and early Saturday afternoon all lessons and books were laid aside and we went merrily on our way to the Johnson home where many good times awaited us. It is needless for me to say what a splendid time we had, for you all know what it means for fourteen jolly Alphas to get together. The one thing that appealed most to the girls was the delightful supper which Mrs. Johnson had prepared for us. This is the second house-party which Miss Johnson has given and all those who have ever been entertained in the Johnson home know the reputation which Mrs. Johnson has and to say that she lived up to her reputation is not enough for she far excelled any former occasion of this kind. After supper we went out on the large porch and there we sang Alpha songs for about an hour. During the evening two theatricals were given and these were enjoyed to the utmost. The members of the troupe played their parts so well that the audience was captivated. When the last scene was finished it was 1.30 o'clock and we now thought it time to ascend to higher regions. The rest of the night, or rather morning, was taken up with pillow and water fights, locking of girls out of their rooms and three of us were compelled to stand guard all night for fear of being bombarded. However we all went to church the next morning and then came home and sat down once more to a sumptuous repast.

Louise Brady.

GAMMA

Dear Sisters:

Our spring term has just opened and all the girls have returned after a pleasant vacation at their homes.

The following is the account given in the college paper of our progressive dinner last term:

"The girls of Alpha Xi Delta entertained their friends at the sorority house on East College street, Monday evening, March 2nd.

"The house was prettily decorated with smilax, daffodils and college pennants. A six course progressive dinner was served. Piano music was furnished throughout the dinner and later frat songs were sung. Lettered cards were distributed among the tables to determine who should progress. After each course, a sign bearing the name of a certain store was hung up. The guests then began to name articles found in this store and beginning with the letter given them. Those two who named the most articles progressed to the next table. The prize was an Alpha Xi Delta pennant."

This term brings much work but also a great deal of pleasure for the Gamma girls. We are planning now to celebrate Founders' Day. We hope to have a banquet but our plans are not definite yet. Then we are all looking forward to reunion which comes commencement week. We want so many of our girls to come back, that we may have just the best sort of time together.

With commencement comes just a wee bit of sadness, that we must all be separated for the summer but we hope to have most of our girls back for next year. Lucille Strong will be graduated so we will miss her next year, but as she lives near, she will surely visit us often.

Gamma Chapter mourns the loss of a dear sister, Mabel Dewey Bright, who died at her home in Damascus, Ohio, March, 1908. We are very grateful to the sister chapters for their kind letters expressing their sympathy.

In March, we initiated Ruby Robens whom we wish to introduce to you all as "a really truly" Alpha Xi Delta.

This year we will have a number of the JOURNAL published during the summer so we will hear from you during vacation.

Gamma sends love and wishes you all a very pleasant vacation.

Ethel Montgomery.

DELTA

Dear Sisters everywhere:

With the return of spring come the many duties and pleasures that naturally belong to this season. All the promises of the cold, drear winter are fulfilled in the opening buds and the songs of the birds: so it is with us. We are in the spring-time of life, fulfilling the hopes and ambitions of the dear parents who watch us so lovingly. No matter how hard the winter has been, no matter how much the interest flagged then, *now* we all feel the thrill of the spring-time in our veins.

To the girls of Delta, fortune has been most kind. There are not many desirable girls in school,—that is—sorority material. The winter term brought only two, and we have pledged both of them. They are fine, sweet girls, and we believe we have reason to congratulate ourselves. We expect to initiate very soon. This will make our number fourteen.

Last week we had Anna Mary Kemp, one of our old girls, back on a visit. Her stay, though short, was an inspiration to us, and we feel more like going ahead and "doing great things" now. Next week we are expecting two more of our last year's Seniors, and we are anticipating a very happy reunion.

We wish you all the very best spring in the world.

Yours in the bonds of Alpha Xi Delta,

Sarah Anna Smith.

EPSILON

Dear Sisters:

That we have been busy you will understand from the following accounts of some of the affairs in which we have been most interested:

"The 'Annual Informal,' given at the University Armory by the Epsilon Chapter of Alpha Xi Delta Sorority last Saturday evening, marked the most brilliant college event of the season. The Armory was beautifully decorated with the Greek's colors in bunting artistically draped around the balcony. Immense strings of pink roses fell gracefully from the large center arc light to all sides of the hall, giving the occasion that delightfully spring-time atmosphere so highly pleasing to all lovers of art and nature. Pennants by the score floating above the dancers' heads added that necessary touch, making the event a distinctly college affair.

"Partners for the grand march were selected by means of silk pennants in the sorority colors. Shortly after eight o'clock the march began, led by

Miss Julia Sweet and Mr. Joseph Eastwood. Many artistic figures were formed, and the rich and variegated colored gowns passing through the various formations presented a decidedly artistic and elaborate spectacle. The march terminated in the Alpha Xi Delta two step. Music, especially selected by the sorority, and efficiently rendered by the Goddard Bros.' orchestra, proved a valuable acquisition to the general features of the evening's program. Out of town guests were Mrs. J. E. Hedeem and the Misses Alice Brenne and Genevieve Ochsner, of Soo City, alumnæ members of the sorority.

"Perhaps no social function during the college year has received such general and wide-spread praise and commendation. Alpha Xi Delta, the only national sorority in the State, must be accorded unanimous praise in their ability as hostess and the occasion is one long to be remembered and cherished by all those present."

(From the college paper, "The Volante.")

At the home of the bride's parents on Forest avenue, Vermilion, at ten o'clock, March 25th, occurred the ceremony that united the lives of Miss Florence Lorena Grange, ex-grand vice-president of Alpha Xi Delta, and Mr. Oliver Edwin Sweet of Rapid City.

Guests to the number of 150 assembled in the spacious parlors that were beautifully decorated with cut flowers, potted plants, and ribbons, the bridal colors, pink and white, predominating. The flower of the Alpha Xi Delta Sorority, the pink rose, was in evidence in every room.

At the appointed hour the bride, on the arm of the groom, and preceded by the officiating clergyman, Dr. C. S. Thoms, and the ring-bearer, Ethelyn McVicker, descended the stairs to the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march, played by Alice Brenne. At the foot of the stairs the bridal party passed thru an isle formed by the bride's attendants, twenty-five Alpha Xi Delta girls, dressed in white and holding a line of pink ribbon. This line extended to the improvised altar of smilax and roses in the northwest parlor where the beautiful and impressive ceremony was performed.

The out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hedeem, Misses Alice Breene and Genevieve Ochsner, Miss Zola Jones and Mr. E. H. Sweet.

Misses Mabel and Ethel Richardson entertained the members of Epsilon Chapter at a six o'clock dinner in honor of Miss Grange. The spacious rooms of the Richardson residence were beautifully decorated with pink roses and the Alpha colors. After a delicious four course dinner, the following program and toasts were given, Miss Mabel Richardson acting as toast-mistress :

Valse Brilliante—Chopin	.	.	.	.	.	.	Lois Nichols
Toast—"Life Partnership"	.	.	.	.	.	.	Lorena Grange
Toast—"Sweets"	.	.	.	.	.	.	Sarah Sewell
Toast—"Good Advice"	.	.	.	.	.	.	Grace Sanborn
Toast—"Our Sisters' Brothers"	.	.	.	.	.	.	Mabelle Eastman
Petite Valse—Henselt	.	.	.	.	.	.	Helen Frazee

Toast—"Engineering"	Helen Tarbell
Toast—"Modesty with Illustrations"	Pearle Sale
Toast—"The Joy of Living the Simple Life"	Clara Salmer
Toast—"East Hall, the House of Mirth"	Marion Williams
Toast—"The Kind of a Girl we Want"	Margaret Miller
Vocal Solo—"Absent"	Helen Hill

March 17th, at the home of Julia Sweet, Epsilon Chapter entertained in honor of Miss Lorena Grange. After much "jollying," Lorena was asked to go fishing and as a result she hooked a surprising array of kitchen utensils. At the close of the afternoon's fun, a two course luncheon was served.

The Epsilon girls who are residents of East Hall entertained at dinner, Friday evening, March 20, complimentary to Miss Grange.

Epsilon.

ZETA

Dear Sisters of Alpha Xi Delta:

It seems almost impossible that this is to be our last issue of the JOURNAL for this year, but nevertheless it is true, and Zeta Chapter wishes each sister success in the remainder of the year's work.

We have been made happy lately, here at school, by the return of our circular letter. We hear, in this way, from each of our girls at least twice a year.

This letter tells of the prospective visit of Jeanette A. Steck of Utica, N. Y. The visit of this sister has led the other alumnæ to plan a reunion for commencement time; and if it is possible we will have an old-time together again.

Anna Miller, Myrtle Wildasin, Mabel Bracher, Marjorie Smith, May Fidler, Mary Hubbell and Mabel Winn all report a good year of teaching.

Maud Bushey is teaching music in her home town, while Ella Swartout is in the Van Wert library.

Clara Schwarm and Edna Fidler are making themselves useful at home this year.

Our pledge, Martha Lowry, is to be one of the stars in the senior Academy class play. We are very proud of her, and feel that she is proving worthy of her pledge. Martha is the only girl of her class who is taking the regular course. There are only two girls in the '08 Wittenberg Academy class.

Zeta entertained on the 13th of February at a valentine party. A very enjoyable time was spent by guests and hostesses. Mr. and Mrs. Wright very kindly offered us their beautiful home for the evening.

Clara Dornblaser.

ETA

Dear Alpha Sisters:

Eta has bright prospects as the pleasant days of spring come. It seems that each girl has received a new inspiration to strive harder for dear old Alpha Xi Delta.

In February, Eta gave her freshman party, which was one of the most successful social events we ever had. We are now looking forward to celebrating Founders' Day, when we hope to see many faces that are not now with us. It has been our custom to let the freshmen show their ability by furnishing all the entertainment other than the historical part.

Syracuse still shows great advance in building. March the twenty-fourth the corner stone of the new men's gymnasium was laid. The building will be second to none in size and equipment and will make a great addition to our University.

The Washington celebration held in Lyman Hall for the benefit of the Historical seminar proved very successful. It was unique in character, following somewhat the plan of our regular Fine Art Fake show, except that here the shows were of historical basis.

Margaret Hoard.

THETA

We feel sure that spring is finding its abode at Wisconsin, for the lakes are open, the boys are playing ball on the lower campus, and the girls have been wearing their "Merry Widow Sailors" for a couple of weeks.

The crews expect to begin work unusually early this year. Coach Angell hopes to have them busy by the first week in April.

March 23, Mrs. Maud Wood Park of Boston addressed the alumnae and students of the university on the Woman's Suffrage Question. Plans were suggested for organizing a local suffrage league. Nothing definite was decided.

According to the ruling laid down last year, the Wisconsin Interscholastic meet cannot be held on Memorial Day. These two days conflict this year, therefore, the high school board of control has decided upon June 6 as the date for the meet. This is rather unsatisfactory for the fraternities and sororities who do their rushing at this time, for the date comes at the beginning of final exams. The project of changing the date has been agitated, but nothing definite has been decided. At the last meeting of Pan Hellenic, the sororities decided to do their rushing May 30, even if the date of the meet is to be June 6.

May 1, the Senior engineers will present a minstrel show at the Fuller opera house.

An exceedingly exciting basketball game was witnessed at the gymnasium March 12, when Chicago defeated the Badgers by two small points.

After the two weeks of strenuous work and worry over mid-year exams. we enjoyed four days of vacation, from February 13 to 17.

Delta Kappa Epsilon won the first place in the Interfraternity Bowling League.

The Junior class play, "The Superfluous Mr. Holloway," written by Mr. Stempfel, '08, was played at the opera house February 15, the evening after

the Junior Prom. The play was very successful and was repeated Monday evening, February 17. The money raised was turned over to the crew.

February 22, we entertained at the house by giving a masquerade party. Our dance programs were little hatchets.

Nanna Hoegh, Cor. Sec.

LAMBDA

Dear Sisters:

This semester has been rather quiet for us so far in the line of social activities, yet we are busy planning for some good times to come. We are to give our annual dance on Wednesday, April 22nd, and of course we shall try to make it the best event of the year. We will tell you all about it next time. We are also planning to give a series of teas to the professor's wives. We did this last year, and found it a very pleasant way of becoming acquainted.

In the Junior play, "Tommy's Wife," which was given in the Gym in March, Ethel Aiken, '09, and Annie McCoy, '09, took important parts. The play was one of the best ever given, and Alpha Xi feels proud of her two girls.

A week ago the Sophomores gave their play, "A Spoiled Darling." Helen Burnham and Marie Wood, both '10, took part, and Elsie Chandler was stage manager.

The All Around Club gave a very pleasant dance on leap-year night. It was a leap-year affair in every possible way,—the girls filled the programs, flowers were sent to the men, and patrons chaperoned. Each of the patrons wore a bunch of daffodils. In every way the dance was a most successful one.

The Girls' Glee Club, under the leadership of one of our Senior girls, Miriam S. Carleton, is doing excellent work. Concerts have been given all season in neighboring places, and only the best reports have been heard. The final concert is to be given in chapel April 8.

Mrs. Maulsby, one of our matons, pleasantly entertained us at her home one evening after frat meeting.

Beatrice McFarland, '08, has been ill with the measles.

Estella Butterfield, '10, has also been ill.

Amy Richards, '08, is directing the production of "Hiawatha" by a boy's club in Somerville.

Gertrude C. Johnson.

MU

Dear Alphas:

Mu chapter sends Easter greetings to all her Alpha sisters.

Spring term is here and everyone is working with ardent enthusiasm. This is not unusual for our rushing season at Minnesota is nearly over and in two weeks every freshman girl will know her fate. All invitations to join any of the sororites are sent through the Dean of Women, so you can

all realize that it is a formal affair for us. We had our second big rushing party last month. Fourteen guests and all Alphas were entertained at the home of Georgia Elwell in the afternoon at a "College Party." Perhaps this might interest some of the Alpha readers.

When the girls were admitted at the door,—all were given 'tickets to the campus' and a conductor punched their description upon it. Then they were ushered to the different college departments. First to the medic, where their various diseases were treated and all given a bottle of candy pills; then to the football corner where we received a "Minnesota" pin for a souvenir. Perhaps the most fun of all was the English test which we had on "Mother Goose" rhymes. The postoffice, too, afforded much pleasure for each girl received a *letter* and also a box of candy. These were just a few of the departments, but they give an idea. For dinner we all went down to the "Commercial Club" rooms where a sumptuous banquet was served.

Mary Shieley, who is one of Minnesota's basket ball girls, has just returned from a trip to Nebraska. While there she met one of our Alpha sisters.

The Nebraska girls are expected here Saturday and Mu will entertain for them at a luncheon on Friday, April third.

In February we initiated Lucy White, Alice Helson and Georgia Belle Elwell into Mu chapter.

Fraternally,

Fannie E. Gordinier.

NU

Since our last letter we have been busily planning our spring work and are already looking forward to our fall campaign, when we hope to put Nu well forward in the ranks of Greekdom at Washington.

On the afternoon of February 14th we gave a very successful card party. The house was prettily decorated with red hearts and the prizes and refreshments carried out the valentine idea. In the evening we entertained very informally for Marian Schneider, '07, who was visiting at the chapter house.

Nu has been very fortunate this month in receiving a number of gifts from alumnæ of silver, linen and china, and we begin to feel quite like old housekeepers.

In common with several of the other sororities, we reserve the first Wednesday of each month for an "at home" to the faculty, fraternities and other friends in the university and city. These have been very successful, and a large number of students and friends have called each time.

Both the Senior and Junior classes have given informal dances which proved very enjoyable. The Junior prom occurs May second and will be the chief social event of the year.

A mathematics club has recently been organized with a membership of about forty. At the first meeting Ethel Everett, '09, was elected president and Frances Sanborn, '08, secretary.

On February third Aileen Daniels, '10, was initiated. Clarice Van Loon,

'10, is pledged and will be initiated next fall. Both of these girls are strong additions to the chapter.

Members of the four classes represented in the Women's League are giving "stunts" in the Gymnasium for the benefit of the Women's building to be opened for the A. Y. P. exposition. The senior stunt was given April tenth with May Chambers as chairman of the committee on arrangements. At the recent dance given by the league several hundred dollars was netted for this purpose.

Lela Parker has been elected treasurer of the Y. W. C. A. and is chairman of the Banquet Committee for Junior Class Day.

Frances Sanborn, one of our seniors, has announced her engagement to Mr. Richard Wilson, A T Ω, Vermont, '02. The marriage will take place in September and they will make their home in Washington, D. C.

Our Founders' Day celebration was a great success and the girls enjoyed their first anniversary to the fullest extent. Netta Kettle, '11, and Stella Hunter, '11, were initiated into the sorority and after the ceremony an elaborate banquet was served, followed by a toast program:

WELCOME.....LELA PARKER, '09

HISTORY OF NU, '07-8.....MAE MAC LACHLAN, '08

ACTIVE FRIENDSHIP.....MABEL SPRY, B, '06

"May the hinges of friendship never grow rusty."

OUR ALMA MATER.....AILEEN DANIELS, '10

"Moved by the impulse we shall feel
New longings for my high ideal."

THE MIGHTY SENIOR.....ETHEL EVERETT, '09

"Where, oh! where! are the grand old seniors?
Safe, safe in the wide, wide world."

PROPHECY.....HAZEL GEISSEMAN, '11

Each of the four classes then entertained with a stunt to the amusement of the onlookers, proving their powers of originalty to their own satisfaction, at least.

The buildings of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition, which is to be held on the campus are going up very rapidly and we are hoping that some of our sisters from the East will come West next year to attend the exposition and incidentally pay us a visit.

The university is drawing to a close the most successful year in its history and its future promises are the brightest. At least six of the A. Y. P. buildings will be left on the campus and the faculty confidently expects the attendance to reach seventeen hundred.

Mary Emily Kay, N., '04-'08.

MT. PLEASANT ALUMNÆ

Mt. Pleasant Alumnæ has not been active as an organization this year owing to the fact that there are but five resident members.

At the first of the year, the girls of Beta Chapter gave each of us a cordial invitation to attend their meetings, and feeling that we could derive more of the true Alpha spirit by associating with them, we have made their

interests our interests, and their meetings our meetings, and feel that each chapter has been strengthened by this affiliation. We have found this arrangement very pleasing and have been very glad to open our homes for the weekly chapter meetings; and since there are but two resident members of Beta, this has been greatly appreciated. The chapter meetings have been well attended and greatly enjoyed. At the close of each business session, the hostess serves some light refreshments and a jolly social time is had.

Two of our former enthusiastic members have been greatly missed since they removed from our midst. Axie Lute-Mitchell, wife of Rev. William Mitchell, B & P, now resides at Meadville, Pa., and Lousie Singer-Maiken now lives in Spokane, Wash., where her husband, Mr. F. B. Maiken, B & P, is engaged in the real estate business. Mrs. Mitchell is well-known to the sorority, having been a former Grand Secretary. It will be remembered that Mrs. Maiken assisted in the installation of Nu Chapter last summer.

Mt. Pleasant Alumnæ is very much interested in the announcement of the coming weddings of two of its members. Those playing the prominent parts in these interesting events are Miss Edith Van Cise and Mr. Ledru Willits; Miss Nellie Tribby and Mr. Henry Gillis. Mr. Ledru Willits, B & P, is an alumnus of Iowa Wesleyan and Mr. Henry Gillis of Iowa State College.

Miss Ina Duncan, English teacher in the High School at Toledo, spent her spring vacation with her parents. Her Alpha sisters were very glad to have her with them again.

Miss Ellen Ball spent two weeks in Chicago recently, visiting relatives and attending grand opera.

Miss Maud Maiken, a former member of Beta, visited here recently with her friend, Mrs. Florence Currier-Stephens. Miss Maiken has been spending some time on the Pacific coast and the girls were all glad to welcome her back. She is an alumna of Iowa Wesleyan, class of '06. Mrs. Stephens very delightfully entertained all the Alpha girls one evening at an informal party in her honor.

Together with Beta Chapter we celebrated Founder's Day with a dinner at May Johnson's. This was one of the most enjoyable functions given for some time. Mt. Pleasant Alumnæ sends greetings and best wishes to all her sister chapters.

Ellen Ball.

BOSTON ALUMNÆ.

Dear Alpha Sisters:

Boston Alumnæ has not been very busy since the last issue of the JOURNAL. The twenty-fifth of January we entertained the Lambda Chapter and a few prospective freshmen at Nellie Kimball's home in Newton. What a good time we had. Tea served in a dining room decorated with pink roses put us all in a merry mood, and music and conversation made the pleasantest kind of entertainment. Best of all, Mrs. Edwards and Mrs. Glendenning from Beta were with us. It was the first time we had seen Mrs. Glendenning and we were very glad to welcome her among us.

In February we met with Irene McCoy in Somerville. Mrs. Glendenning was there, and also two of Tufts alumnæ whom we haven't seen for some time, Mertie Crowell-Saunders and Ada Buzzell-Macumber.

The March meeting will be postponed until April and our April meeting will be the celebration of Founder's Day, which is to be with the active chapter.

May April seventeenth begin a year of renewed vigor, loyalty, and prosperity to us all.

Ruth A. Sibley, Boston Alumnæ.

PERSONALS

BETA

Beta Chapter has learned with much sorrow of the death of a Gamma sister and sends loving sympathies to Gamma.

Vacation at Wesleyan begins March 27 and ends April 8. All the girls are more than anxious for vacation.

Miss Ina Duncan who is teaching in Toledo, Iowa, was home for a week's vacation April 1-8.

Beta Chapter wishes to introduce two new pledges, Misses Edith Brinton and Pearl Matthews.

Iowa Wesleyan Glee Club left March 23 for their trip and are meeting with great success. They give the home concert April 7.

Beta girls enjoyed the toast of Miss Erb's so much which was printed in the last journal.

One of our sisters, Miss Amy Cheny, had to leave school a week early on account of measles.

Beta Chapter announces with much pleasure two new patronesses, Mrs. Kopp and Mrs. Applegate.

Miss Stella Barnett, '07, visited her sister March 6-8.

Ellen Ball has been re-elected president of Original Chapter A, P. E. O., Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.

The State oratorical contest was held here March 5-6 and resulted in a glorious victory for Wesleyan. Mr. Carl Krenmeyer, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, is Iowa's representative to the inter-State contest to be held in Michigan some time in May. We are all hoping and expecting great things from Mr. Krenmeyer, and we hope that next time we can tell you that Wesleyan won in the inter-State as well as in the State contest.

Maud Maiken, '06, of Albra, visited Beta girls early in March.

Louise Brady has been elected literary and fraternity editor, and Mabel Duncan joke editor and poet on the '09 "Croaker" staff.

Helen Coe was called to her home March 25 on account of the serious illness of her sister.

GAMMA

Nancy Copeland and Ruby Robens visited in Akron recently with Edna Robens-Shiltz.

One of the most pleasant remembrances of last term to the active chapter is that of a six o'clock dinner given them by Anna and Elsie Jones.

Gussie Yost of Hopedale, O., visited at the frat house for several days last term.

Nancy Copeland entertained her sister at the house over Sunday.

Pearl Lang of Canton spent a few days with the girls last term.

When the girls returned after vacation we found a beautiful new desk in the frat room. It came as a gift from Beulah Kirlin.

One evening last term the girls gave an informal chafing dish party in honor of Gussie Yost, Mary Salmers and Grace Newhouse.

One of our patronesses, Mrs. Arthur Wright, has been very ill, but is now recovering.

Bertha Lumley visited Wilda Matthias recently and also spent some time at the house

DELTA

We are proud to present to our sisters two new pledges:

Miss Irene Mercer, Rudolph, Ohio.

Miss Ruth McCammon, West Liberty, W. Va. They are both fine girls and we congratulate ourselves on gaining such sisters.

Several of the Delta girls spent the few days of vacation away.

Anne Smith visited at the home of Eunice Orrison, Morristown, O.

Jessie Smith spent the few days with Mary Gentry Cornell at her home in New Martinsville, W. Va.

Helen Marshall and Mary Gray spent the time pleasantly at their homes in Grafton, W. Va.

Katherine Fetty was at her home in Fairmont, W. Va.

We were so glad to have with us, recently, one of our charter members, Anna Mary Kemp, '06. We feel inspired to go on to better things since her visit to us. We are always glad to have our alumnæ with us, even for a short time.

Julia Williams has been attending school at Ann Arbor this year.

We wish to all our sisters the most pleasant of spring terms.

EPSILON

Deborah Slocum visited Helen Hill for a few days at East Hall.

Zola Jones, one of Epsilon's charter members, has been the guest of the Misses Lila and Helen Tarbell.

Mabel Green, ex-'10, is teaching at Academy, South Dakota.

Mrs. Josephine Hanson-Hedeen visited Clara Salmer in January and was an honored guest at our "Annual Informal."

The girls of Epsilon chapter take great pleasure in announcing the name of a new patroness, Mrs. Allen Boyer MacDaniel, wife of the professor of Civil Engineering, U. S. D.

Recent initiates into Alpha Xi Delta are Nina Wallace and Pearle Sale.

Clara Salmer and Alice Brenne expect to spend a part of their summer vacation at the Alpha Xi Delta camp near Madison, Wis. We hope they will meet many loyal "Alphas" there.

Nina Wallace had the pleasure of meeting Vin Hitchings of Mu chapter during the holidays. We would be delighted to know more of our Minne-

sota sisters. Nina paid us a two weeks' visit before leaving for her claim near Phillip, S.D. Mabelle Eastman entertained for her, and the girls showered Nina with all manner of tin articles, necessary for claim life.

The Epsilon girls are more than delighted to have Lucile Camerer with them again, after an eight months' absence.

Epsilon was loyally entertained by Miss Esther Johnson, one evening, a few weeks past.

ETA

Eta is proud to announce a new pledge, Anna Roth, '09.

Hazel Brush has returned and resumed her college duties.

Florence Curtis is with us at the chapter house for the rest of the year.

Grace Fox spent a couple of days at the chapter house recently.

The annual Mathematical Conference of the Middle Atlantic States and Maryland was held at Syracuse February 22. Nettie Britton, '07, gave a very commendable toast at the banquet, held in connection with this conference.

THETA

Theta is planning a camping party at the close of the school year. We expect to camp on Lake Monona from June 18th to the 25th. Every Alpha Xi Delta, active and alumna, is cordially invited!

Frances Albers went to her home in Wausau to recuperate after the first semester's strenuous labors.

Charlotte Stough, who is teaching in Wausau, Wis., came to partake in the glorious prom festivities, February 14th to the 17th. We hoped to have her with us again during the spring vacation but we learn that Minnesota has stronger attractions.

Marion Ryan, '06, of Wausau, Wis., was here for our party January 18th. We are proud to announce that several of Marion's pieces of poetry have been accepted by the *National Magazine* and *Minneapolis Tribune*.

Leonora Henderson, '06, of Stoughton, Wis., and Elizabeth Erb, '07, of Waterloo, were also here for the party.

Louise Erb went to Appleton for a couple of days between semesters.

Gusta Lorch, who has been teaching at Montello this year, is spending her spring vacation at her home here in Madison.

Lulu Runge, who is teaching in Duluth, Minn., is at home for a week.

Alma Runge, '06, and Ruth Eckern, '07, expect to be here this coming week.

Theta is looking forward to a visit from Bertha Cleveland sometime in April. We are all very anxious to meet Bertha, for we have heard a great deal about her.

February 9th, Elizabeth Tucker came to live at the house.

We introduce with pleasure Jennie Potts as a new member of Alpha Xi Delta.

Theo Fenton, who expects to graduate from Stout Training School this spring, was here last week to spend her spring vacation.

Miss Elizabeth Graham, from Eau Claire, and Miss Edith Watts, of Milwaukee, visited the Fenton girls last week.

Marion Ryan, '06, expects to teach in Penn Hall, Wilson College, Chambersburg, Penn., next year.

Mr. Albers, of Wausau, Wis., gave us a happy surprise last week by paying us a visit. He promised to let Mrs. Albers come and see us soon. She arrived last Saturday evening, March 28, and will be with us for a few days.

April 16 will see most of the girls board the train for home to celebrate their spring vacation, which lasts from the 16th to the 21st of April.

Frances Albers, '09, expects to spend the Easter recess with her sister who is attending Wilson College at Chambersburg, Penn.

Since Founder's day falls during our Easter vacation, we have decided to celebrate on April 13. We will then have a dinner party and present to the house an Alpha Xi Delta shield.

Nanna Hoegh, Cor. Sec.

MU

Elsie Lathrop was unable to return to college this semester on account of poor health. We sincerely hope to have her with us again in the fall.

Bessie Pettigrew was a welcome visitor among us a few weeks ago. We also enjoyed a brief visit from Polly Fenton and May Flower.

Mary Shiely leaves Thursday for Nebraska, where we feel confident she will do much toward bringing a victory in basketball to Minnesota.

Lucy White has returned to college after a short but decidedly uncomfortable siege with the measles.

Our chapter held an informal dancing party in Alice Shevlin Hall several weeks ago, which all present declared a success.

We had initiation last month and take pleasure in announcing the names of three most loyal sisters: Georgia Elwell, Lucy White and Alice Helson.

ALLIANCE ALUMNÆ

Mary Salmon of Cleveland, recently attended an alumnæ meeting and all the girls were glad to have her with us again.

Eloise Patton-McKnight of Pittsburg, is visiting her parents for a short time and we hope to have her with us at alumnæ meeting.

Alice Hinshilwood attended the Sigma Nu Alumni Banquet recently held at Cleveland.

Gamma Chapter mourns the loss of another sister, Mabel Dewey Bright, whose death occurred March seventeenth. Mary Bracher, Beulah Hirlin, Mary McCoy, Mildred Tucker and Mary Taylor of the alumnæ attended the funeral.

BOSTON ALUMNÆ

Florence Tuttle, 1901, is going abroad this summer.

Anadine Hoyt-Fernald, 1902, has visited Edna Johnson-Austin, 1902, in Pittsburg.

Lucie Gardner, 1897, is teaching in a private school in Boston.

Mabel Hall, 1903, spent the last three weeks of February in Maine, staying three days at the university.

Betsey Harmon, 1904, has been spending a month in and about Boston.

Alice Cummings, 1905, has been home from Washington for a short vacation.

Ada Buzzell-Macumber, 1905, visited Boston lately.

Fannie Clement, 1906, has left her position in Upton and is teaching in Wakefield, Massachusetts.

Alice Edwards, 1906, is with the Fiske Teachers' Agency.

Ruth Sibley, 1906, has changed her position and is now reference librarian in the Cambridge Public Library, Cambridge, Massachusetts.



A REPORT OF THE PRESENT CONDITONS OF PAN HELLENICS IN THE UNITED STATES

By Lillian W. Thompson, Gamma Phi Beta

The sixth Inter-Sorority Conference, which met in Chicago September 13, 1907, directed a committee of one to collect statistics from all the Pan-Hellenics which could be reached, and to form from them a general report on Pan-Hellenics. This report was to consider: (1) the similarities and differences in Pan-Hellenic constitutions; (2) the difficulties met by these associations; and (3) the ways of solving those difficulties. Reports have been received from fifty Pan-Hellenics, and the facts gathered have been grouped under the headings given below:

I. THE LARGEST PAN-HELLENICS.

Name of College.	Number of Sororities, in the Pan-Hellenic.	Date of Pledge Day
Syracuse University.....	11.....	Matriculation Day
Northwestern University.....	10.....	October 11
Wisconsin University.....	10.....	Matriculation day
California University.....	9.....	September 13
Nebraska University.....	8.....	November 23
Barnard College.....	8.....	April, 1909
Illinois University.....	8.....	October 5
Michigan University.....	8.....	Matriculation day, and Spring
Minnesota University.....	8.....	April 11
Baltimore College.....	6.....	November 23
Boston University.....	6.....	October 21
De Pauw University.....	6.....	October 28
Leland Stanford University.....	6.....	September 26
Colorado University.....	5.....	September 16
Washington State University.....	5.....	Matriculation day

II. DATE OF PLEDGE DAY.

7	Colleges	pledge	in	September.
15	"	"	"	October.
9	"	"	"	November.
3	"	"	"	December.
1	College	pledges	"	January.
1	"	"	"	March.
2	Colleges	pledge	"	April.
1	College	pledges	at	the beginning of the Sophomore Year.
11	Colleges	pledge	on	Matriculation Day.

The Colleges pledging in December are the University of Pennsylvania, Swarthmore College, and Adelphi College. Ohio State University pledge in January, Newcombe College in March, and the University of Minnesota and Barnard College pledge in April. Barnard, however, by faculty ruling, does not pledge till April, 1909. The University of Mississippi, by faculty ruling does not pledge till the Sophomore year.

III. LOCALS.

Thirty-five out of the fifty colleges reporting have no locals in their Pan-Hellenics; the other fifteen each have one, and all but two report that the locals are just as willing as the nationals to abide by Pan-Hellenic rulings. At Adelphi college and at the University of Michigan the local has made trouble by pledging before Matriculation Day, or before the pledge day established by the Pan-Hellenic.

V. CONSTITUTIONS.

Twenty-two colleges out of the fifty sent no constitutions; as they were especially requested to send copies, it seems probable that they had none to send. Indeed, nine of the twenty-two state that they have no constitution, or that it is being formulated for the first time this year. Most of the constitutions sent were very similar, and followed the model constitution distributed by the Inter-Sorority Conference last year. But a few points of difference appear, especially in the time of meeting, the arrangements for calling meetings, and the vote required for passing measures.

Thirteen Pan-Hellenics, only, have any provision in their constitutions for regular meetings. Boston, Hillsdale, Nebraska, Texas, Simpson, and West Virginia have a regular meeting once a semester. Minnesota, Northwestern, Swarthmore, and Washington State University have monthly meetings in alternate months; and Leland Stanford has a meeting in April of each year. Five constitutions state that special meetings may be called at any time, by sending a request to the chairman of Pan-Hellenic, and one or two colleges have frequent meetings during the first few weeks of the term, or during the whole rushing season. But the majority of the constitutions give no hint as to when meetings are held.

There is also considerable difference in placing the responsibility for calling meetings. Thirteen constitutions made no provision for calling a meeting. Nine have the chairman responsible, and one states that "any member" may issue the call.

Most Pan-Hellenics demand a unanimous vote on all matters, and two even insist that important measures shall be submitted to the chapters for final decision. The University of Illinois allows a majority vote, though the rule is suspended for 1907. The University of Indiana allows a two-thirds vote. Ohio State University allows a seven-eighths vote, and Swarthmore, though it requires a unanimous vote, permits a majority to put the question in dispute before the Inter-Sorority Conference, and provide that the decision of this body shall be final. This measure might be a wise way of set-

tling questions when some one or two sororities hold out against the majority; but to make it really practical, it would be necessary to let the Inter-Sorority Conference secretary, or a committee appointed by her, act for the conference during the year.

V. BY-LAWS AND RUSHING CONTRACTS.

As might be expected, the by-laws and rushing contracts of the Pan-Hellenics present many points of difference. Some of them, like Leland Stanford and Cornell, are elaborate, and attempt to meet every emergency likely to arise during the rushing season. Others, like those of Wisconsin and Ohio State University, strive for the utmost simplicity and conciseness compatible with clearness. On certain points the great majority agree; the points in which they differ may be suggestive to Pan-Hellenics which have not thought of these plans.

Most Pan-Hellenics begin their rushing on Matriculation Day, but Denver, Illinois, Leland Stanford, and West Virginia prefer to let a short period elapse before beginning, so that the necessary work of registration and arrangement of programs may be out of the way first. Fourteen colleges avoid all fraternity talk until the invitations are out; then, if a girl who has been bidden wishes to know something more about sororities, she is requested to ask the sorority she prefers for information, and this sorority sends one of its members to answer her questions. During the rushing season all entertaining is decided on and limited by Pan-Hellenic. Indiana prescribes the cost of the most formal party given, and Pennsylvania states that the rushing must be "simple and inexpensive." No other universities try to regulate cost, but they all regulate the number of parties, and often the kind of parties that may be given. Cornell forbids "functions" (formal affairs) entirely. Several colleges limit the rushing affairs to which men may be invited, or prohibit these entirely. Adelphi, Kansas, and Ohio State University Pan-Hellenics entertain at the beginning of the year. Adelphi specifies that this affair is for the freshmen girls, but the others do not state clearly whom they invite.

The customs about bidding are very nearly the same everywhere. Pan-Hellenic decides on a form of invitation, and this is written, printed, or engraved at the cost of each sorority. The bids are sent out on the same day by a committee; the bid states the time and place for the answer, and frequently adds a request that all bids not accepted be returned as a negative answer, which shall be considered final. The time allowed for returning an answer varies from a few hours to two weeks. Generally the answer is to be written and mailed; several colleges state that they have tried personal answers and have found them very unsatisfactory. Six colleges forbid all rushing, or talk about sororities during the interval between invitation and answer. Two colleges use pledge pins instead of ribbons. I think this custom is more widespread than the reports would indicate.

So far most Pan-Hellenics follow the same customs, but there are several points which are emphasized by very few of them. Four expressly forbid

saying anything against another sorority or any of its members. Several state that *alumnæ*, friends, and pledges are bound by the rules made by Pan-Hellenic. California, Illinois, Illinois Wesleyan, and Minnesota allow sisters to be pledged any time after matriculation. Illinois allows cousins to be pledged by permission of Pan-Hellenic, and Illinois Wesleyan allows girls who have been in college a year to be pledged any time after matriculation in their later years. Baltimore and Minnesota insist that a girl must take a certain number of hours of work to be eligible for a bid. Iowa Wesleyan and Wisconsin send five copies of their Pan-Hellenic constitutions and rushing contracts to their grand presidents each year.

VI. DIFFICULTIES AND SOLUTIONS.

Fifteen universities report that they have had no difficulty in organizing or running their Pan-Hellenics; they feel that Pan-Hellenics are necessary, and that they have already considerably increased inter-sorority friendliness. Two universities, on the other hand, say they do not like Pan-Hellenics, and consider them injurious to inter-sorority relations. These are the University of California and Washington university, St. Louis; the latter Pan-Hellenic was organized this year. The remaining colleges, while they confess to difficulties, are bravely working to solve them, and in many cases are succeeding.

The difficulty mentioned by the greatest number of Pan-Hellenics, fourteen, is the breaking of contracts; it is exceedingly hard to prove the offense and to punish it. In most colleges the proofs are laid before Pan-Hellenic, which acts as judge. In one or two colleges the *alumnæ* members of Pan-Hellenic form a court to deal with infractions of contract. Curiously enough, however, very few constitutions provide any punishment for the breaking of contracts when proved. The following punishments have been adopted by some colleges.

Baltimore has three grades of punishment for different degrees of guilt, but all consist of the withdrawal of rushing dates, or the entire suspension of rushing for a number of days. Cornell demands an apology in Pan-Hellenic meeting. DePauw publishes a statement of the offense in the college paper. Northwestern publishes an apology in the college paper. Ohio State University inflicts a fine of not more than \$10, or reports the offending sorority to its grand president. Swarthmore also reports to the grand president. Several colleges provide for the report of offenses to the Inter-Sorority Conference. When the case is taken to a grand president, or to the Inter-Sorority Conference, the power in question is expected to decide on and inflict the penalty. Cornell tries to prevent the breaking of contracts by having weekly meetings of Pan-Hellenic during rushing season.

The difficulty which comes next in importance (reported by ten Pan-Hellenics) is that of fixing pledge day. The solution for this is frankness and courtesy in the discussion in Pan-Hellenic meeting, and a willingness to compromise when the wish of the majority becomes clear.

Distrust of each other is the difficulty next in order. This is mentioned by but five Pan-Hellenics, but I suppose distrust must be present in the case

of broken contracts, and may often lie at the bottom of accusations of such breaking. Several Pan-Hellenics, however, speak of the growing feeling of confidence between sororities. The only cure suggested for distrust is time.

The other difficulties are mentioned by but few Pan-Hellenics, but it may be that they have been felt more widely than the reports would show. For instance, only one Pan-Hellenic complains of tardiness and poor attendance at Pan-Hellenic meetings. The remedy suggested for this is fines—fifty cents for absence, and a smaller sum for tardiness. Several complain of indifference; no remedy is suggested for this. One Pan-Hellenic cannot interest its alumnae in Pan-Hellenic; another cannot keep them from breaking Pan-Hellenic rules by violent rushing. Several Pan-Hellenics cannot define rushing clearly enough to prevent misunderstanding; one has trouble because sororities pair off and oppose each other. In one college one sorority refused to join Pan-Hellenic, and caused considerable trouble, while at another college a sorority insisted on withdrawing and doing as it pleased when things did not go to suit it. Both these last cases were reported to the grand presidents and settled by them.

After all, this is not so long a list of grievances as might have been expected, and most of them are capable of cure. Considering the fact that Pan-Hellenics have been running but a few years, and that Greeks always have shown a strong dislike to union, the prospect for the future is certainly encouraging.

SUMMARY OF THE MOST IMPORTANT POINTS SUGGESTED BY THE REPORTS.

Thirty-nine colleges out of 50 have an interval between matriculation day and pledge day; 24 colleges out of 50 bid in October and November.

Every Pan-Hellenic should have a constitution.

Every constitution should provide (1) for regular meetings (perhaps as often as once in two months); (2) for some definite way of calling both regular and special meetings; (3) for some definite punishment for breaking contracts.

It would be well to discuss the advantages and disadvantages of requiring a unanimous vote in Pan-Hellenic. The Inter-Sorority Conference requires a unanimous vote, but Pan-Hellenics are of course free to decide this matter for themselves.

Each Pan-Hellenic should consist of one active and one alumna member from each sorority represented. The Inter-Sorority Conference agreement requires this.

It is both wise and practicable to limit the amount of money spent in rushing, and the number of rushing affairs given.

Some Pan-Hellenics have begun to entertain the Freshmen, or all the women of the college, as a good way of opening the social life of the year.

All Pan-Hellenics might well express disapproval of talking against a rival sorority or its members.

All charges of breaking contracts, or the spirit of contracts, should be reported to Pan-Hellenics, when they should be investigated; if the charges

are substantiated, the guilty ones should be punished as provided for in the constitution.

Pledge day should be fixed in time for the constitution and by-laws to be printed not later than May 1.

The constitution and by-laws should be sent each year to the grand presidents of the sororities represented in the Pan-Hellenic.

In making out this report I have often named the Pan-Hellenics who are trying some unusual experiment, or who have been successful in meeting difficulties. I hope that other Pan-Hellenics who would like more information on some of these points will write to the proper Pan-Hellenic for it, and I am sure they will receive prompt and cordial answers to their inquiries.

I wish to thank most cordially the grand secretaries of Pi Beta Phi, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Alpha Xi Delta, Delta Delta Delta, and Delta Gamma, whose work has made this report possible.

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Gamma Phi Beta.

RULES ADOPTED BY THE PAN-HELLENIC ASSOCIATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

I. Pledge day shall be the second Saturday in April.

II. Each sorority shall have the privilege of giving two parties before pledge day.

III. Away from the campus, more than two sorority girls with a freshman constitute a party.

There shall be no limitation to the number of girls with a freshman on the campus, it being left to the discretion of each sorority. It is understood that there shall be no entertaining.

IV. No sorority girls shall attend chapel exercises with freshmen.

V. During the two weeks immediately preceding pledge day, there shall be no intercourse whatever between sorority girls and freshmen.

VI. Daughters and sisters who are not pledged during the first week of college shall be governed by the same rules which apply to other freshmen.

VII. No freshman shall be pledged to a sorority unless she has attained the standard of scholarship decided upon by the dean of women and the Pan-Hellenic association.

VIII. Girls entering college at the second semester cannot be asked to join a sorority until the pledge day of the following year.

IX. Uniform invitations shall be sent to freshmen so as to reach their destination the morning of pledge day. A freshman must mail her refusal immediately and give her acceptance at the specified time and place.

RUSHING RULES FOR 1907-8 ADOPTED AT OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

We, the undersigned fraternities of the Ohio State University, in order to bring about and preserve a friendly inter-fraternal spirit and to regulate rushing, do hereby agree to observe the following rules and regulations,

from May 1, 1907, to Monday, January 13, 1908. (First Monday after registration of the winter term.)

I. No invitation for fraternity membership shall be extended to any girl who has not been an enrolled student of the university for at least one term.

II. Invitations shall be written according to the following form and mailed by the noon mail of the first Friday of the winter term:

“ My dear Miss.....

“ You have been elected to membership in.....

Chapter of.....Fraternity. You are requested to send your written answer not later than five P. M., Monday, January 13, 1908. If you should desire further information before deciding definitely you may request one interview with any one girl of the fraternity. With the exception of this interview there shall be no intercourse between fraternity and non-fraternity girls until the answer is received.

“(Signed)

“Chapter,Fraternity.”

III. The interview with entering girls shall be limited to giving information desired by the entering girl concerning the fraternity. There shall be no urging or helping the entering girls to decide.

IV. There shall be no discussion or voluntary mention of fraternities with entering girls.

V. No fraternity shall give more than two parties during the rushing season and none during the last week. (Parties mean the presence of the whole fraternity.) Smaller parties may be held on Saturdays from October to January, at which only four members of the fraternity may be present, each fraternity entering in the order of its establishment. Kappa Kappa Gamma—first, Kappa Alpha Theta—second, Pi Beta Phi—third, Delta Delta Delta—fourth.

VI. From registration day till the end of this contract there shall be no intercourse between entering girls and fraternity girls during the luncheon hour. There shall be no intercourse between entering girls and fraternity girls during the last three days of this contract.

VII. During the time of this contract fraternity girls shall not be allowed to accept invitations from entering girls.

VIII. Girls who are pledged to any fraternity shall be bound by the rules of this contract, except that they may be counted as guests at all entertainments.

IX. An advisory council consisting of the alumnae members of the Pan-Hellenic association shall act as a court of appeal in all cases in which one fraternity is in doubt whether or not its plans or the action past or planned, of any other fraternity, is an infringement of these rules.

X. During the fall term of rushing the Pan-Hellenic association shall meet once every two weeks.

XI. A copy of this contract shall be sent to all alumnae residing in town.
(Adopted May, 1907.)

**GENERAL RUSHING RULES OF LELAND STANFORD
UNIVERSITY.**

I. All matters concerning rushing are to be considered fraternity secrets and are not to be discussed with men or with non-members of the fraternity.

All rushing is to be as secret, quiet, and unobtrusive as possible.

The discussion with freshmen of fraternity matters is forbidden before bidding-day.

A pledged girl is subject to the same rules and regulations as an active member.

II. Freshmen are not to be escorted in public, or to football practice, or to public entertainments anywhere; and are not to be met at trains by more than one person. Trips to Berkely chapter houses are excluded.

III. There is to be no calling upon, or walking with, entertaining, or rushing of freshmen upon class days before 4:30 P. M., and all rushing is to cease not later than 10:30 P. M. upon all such days except Fridays.

IV. No dances, parties, or entertainments are to be for freshmen at which men are present. This restriction applies to entertainments given by or in behalf of a sorority in a private residence.

V. Sorority members are not to countenance or to arrange rushing parties to be given by men.

VI. No tallyho or automobile rides are to be taken with freshmen. Drives with freshmen are to be limited to Saturdays and Sundays. (The first Saturday and Sunday are excluded.)

VII. No freshman shall be kept over night in a sorority house.

VIII. No freshman shall be escorted to the chapter house after the first visit and then only by one member.

IX. Lists of engagements sent to a freshman shall consist only of simple enumeration of dates.

a. A luncheon date shall be included between 12:30 and 2:30; a dinner date between 6:30 and 8:30.

d. It is understood that anything in the way of a formal entertainment is to be strictly excluded. Hence, it has been deemed wise to state that luncheons and dinners must be confined to four courses and that there shall be no hired music.

c. No fraternity shall send flowers to a freshman.

X. These restrictions are to hold until one week after bidding day.

XI. Questions of interpretations and complaints of these agreements are to be determined by the alumnae committee, to consist of the alumnae representatives of the sororities upon the executive committee of the Pan-Hellenic association of Stanford University.

Complaints of violations shall be made to the alumna representative of the sorority making such complaint, and such representative shall attempt to settle the complaint by conference with the alumna representative of the sorority complained against. In case these two are unable to settle the complaint, the matter shall be referred to the full executive committee.

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COLLEGE CUSTOMS

In nearly every college of the land, certain well defined customs and practices have grown up. These are often unique and quite characteristic of the institution at which they are found. They are, with few exceptions, not a part of the serious life and work of the school, but are rather the recreation and diversion of the students, and often of the faculty, as well. The following "symposium," descriptive of a number of these customs, peculiar to some of the colleges where Alpha Xi Delta is represented, gives a glimpse of some of the festivities and holidays in which not a few of our Alpha Xi Deltas are, as college girls, concerned. The few hints of more serious occupations will perhaps not detract from the interest of the description, even in vacation time when we find it hard to think of anything except holidays and merrymaking.

AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

The University of Washington is very rich in customs, all of which have grown dear to, and are earnestly maintained by every student in this western college. First, there is the annual "walk-a-round" given a few days after the opening of school by the Young Men's and Young Women's Christian Associations. This is held in the large gymnasium and gives old and new students opportunity of becoming acquainted. "Open Dorm" is another regular event of the year. This takes place early in the fall when the doors of both dormitories are thrown wide open in hospitality and the students may wander at will over these buildings, inspecting every nook and corner. Later in the evening, all find their way to the gymnasium where an informal dance is enjoyed. Again, the close of the foot-ball season in November is always celebrated by the Varsity Ball, given in honor of the foot-ball team.

Another custom which we have at Washington, is the College Hour. This occurs once each month, during the hour of

the weekly assembly, and is given over to getting acquainted and keeping up college spirit.

The seniors always appear in their caps and gowns early in the second semester and these are worn to classes the remainder of the college year. The juniors, too, have a custom of wearing distinctive hats. The men of this class in the spring always don brown plug hats, and their appearance in this head-gear is immediately the occasion for a class fight between the juniors and seniors. The battle rages fiercely for an hour, and then the tolling of the bell in the tower of the administration building is a signal for the cessation of hostilities. By this time the plugs are battered to pieces, many eyes are black and many clothes are torn, but all is regarded with a spirit of good-nature. The junior girls, however, are allowed to wear their chosen hats without fear of being molested by watchful seniors. Felt sombreros are usually chosen by the co-eds of the third year, but this last year "merry widow sailors," with bands of the junior colors, adorned the maidens of '09.

To the juniors falls the honor each year of perpetuating several other customs. First, there is Junior Day, a holiday set aside in May entirely for the juniors. This day is given over to athletic sports in the morning, the junior banquet at noon, water sports on the lake in the afternoon, and the "Junior Prom" in the evening. The junior farce takes place usually on the evening before Junior Day. To the juniors also falls the honor of publishing the *Tyee*—the college annual.

Perhaps the most distinctive custom of all at the University of Washington is the annual observance of a holiday known as Campus Day. In the morning at nine o'clock the tolling of the bell summons the men of the student body and faculty, and they assemble clad in working clothes, minus stiff shirts, collars or cuffs, and armed with picks, spades and axes. They are organized into squads with a major-general as their leader, and are set to work making paths, constructing rustic seats, and doing all possible to beautify the campus. The co-eds also are kept busy, some carrying lemonade to the workers, others acting as nurses, caring for any who may be injured. The remainder prepare the lunch which is spread under the trees on the lawn and served at the noon hour. After lunch speeches are

made, college yells are given, and songs are sung, and then all file back to work once more. At five o'clock the bell announces the end of the labors, and all go home to rest and dress for the lawn tennis dance in the gymnasium in the evening. This is a very informal affair at which tennis clothes are worn, and thus one of the happiest and most profitable days in the year at Washington is ended.

Adelaide Fischer, Nu, '09.

FLAG RUSHING AT TUFTS

One of the oldest customs at Tufts is that of Flag Rushing. It is a contest between the freshman and sophomore classes, which takes place near the beginning of each college year. Whichever side wins, gains a certain number of points in their favor toward winning the official flags.

Each year the freshmen class purchases a large number of flags. A series of contests, the flag rush, the foot-ball and basket ball games, and the track meet between these two classes determine whether the freshmen shall retain these flags, or deliver them as spoils to the "sophs." The class getting the larger number of points—each contest counts a certain number of points—wins the flags. In either case, every junior receives a flag.

The official flags are hidden somewhere about the campus—in the furnace of Ballou Hall, or in the chapel tower, or in some other place impenetrable to all but the sharp-eyed freshman. A search for the flags by the sophomores begins at six o'clock in the evening and lasts twenty-four hours.

The "co-eds" have their fun meanwhile. They also hide their flags,—not the official ones—and such a wild hunt and stacking of rooms take place that it takes days to restore the "dorm" to its proper condition.

But this is only a small part of the "rush." Five pieces of white cloth, about a yard square, bearing the numerals of the freshman class play a large part in the game. It is the object of the "freshies" to fly these somewhere about the campus. Such a scrambling goes on all night long, beginning at six in the evening, that one would think two hostile armies had

clashed on college hill. As many as possible of the "freshies," especially the class leaders, are kidnapped, tied, and locked up, or — "just taken care of" by the "sophs," to keep them from participating in the fray. The sophomores try to prevent their "little friends" from flying their flags, which appear here and there, on trees or suspended between the buildings.

There is a wild rush — — a rush for a pine tree—a mad plunge. One fellow (a freshman) is literally thrown up into the branches. He clings like mad. A sophomore is close at his heels. There! he has grasped him. How they fight! But ah, the freshman throws a flag! There it flies! A writhing crowd at the foot of the tree sends up a thunderous shout. Two stout-chested "freshies" appear mysteriously from among the branches, and guard this shining piece of linen as if it were a golden fleece.

Over and over again this takes place, every attack seeming worse than the one before. Sweaters are torn from struggling backs, eyes are blackened, and cheeks bruised. Someone drops to the ground exhausted, only to enter the next minute into the blood-curdling fight. Anything is fair, from burning the flag down to turning water onto a fellow who may be holding a flag. However, although it does not appear so, rules do exist, and the "rush committee," composed of upper-classmen, watch to see that the rules are observed.

The wild tug-of-war continues until the chapel bell rings at eight-thirty the next morning. Then comes the decision. Have the freshmen at least one flag flying? If so, and if this flag remains for twenty minutes, they are the heroes of the day.

On the following day comes the foot-ball game between these same rivals, and later on the basket ball game and track meet.

But what does it matter after all, if the freshmen are deprived by the outcome of these various contests of owning a small piece of felt with two numerals on it? Their rooms can be decked with something twice as "sporty" and attractive. Why! think of the wounded pride, think how, for four long years, in the interclass games and meets, their flag will be missing among the others,—theirs, the flag best of all!

Myrtle Mevis Killpatrick, Lambda.

THE MOCK WEDDING AT WITTENBERG

Perhaps the most interesting custom at Wittenberg until recently, was the "Mock Wedding." Unfortunately, however, it fell into disuse, and for the past two years its place has been taken by a "party." The present underclassmen knows it not, but its passing has never ceased to be mourned by the older girls, who find some consolation in describing it vividly for the edification of the wondering freshmen.

This wedding was an annual affair, celebrated on Thanksgiving Eve, with great pomp and ceremony, at Ferncliff Hall, the girls' dormitory. Fortunate indeed was the "outsider" who received an invitation, for the wedding party was most exclusive, only the "immediate friends" being present.

Of course, no men were allowed, and of course too, they were very desirous of being present and often stood outside, in the hope of entering the forbidden precincts, until a dash of water from an upstairs window somewhat dampened their ardor.

Although a "town girl," I was privileged to attend the last wedding, since the bride and the clergyman, one of the ushers, and two of the musicians were "Alphas."

This time the girls had decided to have an "Alice Roosevelt" wedding. "Nicholas" had given "Alice" an engagement ring with an absurdly large set which she wore conspicuously for two weeks before the wedding and which sparkled glassily into the eyes of all beholders. The presents, many and varied, consisted of everything from a meat fork to a piano, all purchased at the Five and Ten Cent Store.

On the evening of the wedding the parlors were decorated with palms and flowers, white crêpe paper marking off the path of the bridal party. Promptly at eight o'clock the orchestra, two violins and the piano, played the wedding march and the party descended the stairs and took their places in the drawing room before a bank of palms. The clergyman in a long gown (borrowed from one of the seniors), read an impressive ceremony of her (I mean his) own, in which he bade the bride refrain from serving sliced bananas at breakfast and having apple

butter more than once a week, in joking reference to the bill of fare at the Hall.

The bride wore white, with a lace curtain veil which swept the floor behind her. The groom, best man and ushers had borrowed dress suits from fathers and brothers. "Teddy," in eye-glasses and mustache, looked very realistic.

After the ceremony, the happy couple received the congratulations of their friends, and then they suddenly abandoned their dignity and someone playing a lively two-step, the bridal party and guests joined in the dance.

The next morning a surprising account of the wedding appeared in the paper. None of the statements given were correct, not even the names of the bride and groom. It ended by saying that a wedding supper of cheese and rye bread was enjoyed by all. The boys, feeling that they had been very much slighted, had used this means to "get even" with the girls.

Edith H. Smith, Zeta.

WEAVING THE WESLEYAN COLORS

A favorite custom at Iowa Wesleyan is the Promenade Concert which is annually held Tuesday of commencement week. Hundreds of students and alumnæ meet on the spacious campus green. Here, while the college band plays glorious Wesleyan airs, old ties are renewed, friendship's bonds are strengthened, and forgotten tales of the long ago mingle harmoniously with the more modern college pranks as they are merrily related. Though some heads are gray, all hearts are young again and all are sons and daughters of old Wesleyan.

Promptly at four o'clock two long ranks of student girls dressed in white march to the music of the band, from different corners of the campus and meet to weave the royal purple and the white. Many beautiful and artistic figures are formed, blending the colors in various ways. The word "Wesleyan" is formed and a toast to her honor is sung. They gracefully form the class numerals—"1908" this year—and the graduating class in cap and mantle march sedately through an aisle made by the two ranks of maidens. A toast to the graduating class is sung

and cheers for them and old Wesleyan rend the air. Everywhere the colors, royal purple and white, are in evidence and in all hearts is a feeling of loyalty and love for Alma Mater.

Mabel Duncan, Beta.

DISTINCTIVE CUSTOMS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

The first great event of the school year at the University of Wisconsin is the freshman-sophomore rush. For the new men it is the introduction at close range to the student body of which they are now to become a part. At Wisconsin, the rush, although it corresponds to the cane rushes of other institutions, is very different in character.

The freshmen meet in the Gymnasium at four in the afternoon for preliminary instructions concerning the gymnasium work for the year. At this time the sophomores gather on the lower campus across the street from the Gymnasium. Usually an hour passes, then the side door of the Gymnasium is cautiously pushed open. The freshman meeting is over and the victims of the approaching fray are coming out. With a yell, the sophomores, organized in a phalanx or some such formation, rush across the street, and, enclosing the mass of unsuspecting freshies, sweep them alongside the Gymnasium and shove them off into the cold waters of Lake Mendota. At least, this is the programme as prepared by the second year class each year. It is rarely carried out.

In the first place, the freshmen are never unsuspecting but have come as fully prepared as the sophomores. In the second place, the first year class is always stronger in numbers than the second year class and it not infrequently happens that the phalanx is caught by a mob of yelling freshies and borne in triumph to the water.

All class organization is broken up after the first rush and the struggle is continued by small bands of from ten to twenty on a side. Sometimes sophomores, sometimes freshmen are the victorious ones, the outcome depending on the strength and number of the opposing parties. Occasionally one sees an

amusing chase after a slippery little fellow or sometimes a dozen small Freshies struggling with one giant soph. Very rarely does one see an equal fight going on. The spirit of fun is prevalent throughout the game.

The victorious class is the one which keeps the other in the water at the end. The common rush has been varied at times by contests over flags on rafts or poles. These contests are nearly always attended with danger and have done most to call forth the disapprobation of students and faculty and citizens of the state. Whatever value the rush may have for the men students, for the co-ed, who watches it with wide-eyed astonishment and not a little fear for life and limb of the participants, it has far less significance. Her first rush is, however, an extremely vivid and exciting sight.

Through the fall of the year the customs at Wisconsin are probably not very different from those at other Universities. The college spirit evinces itself at convocations, football games, mass meetings, etc., but especially at the bon-fires on the Lower Campus. These latter demonstrations occur when the old Wisconsin spirit rises to an explosive pitch and bursts its bonds anew because of some new victory won for the cardinal. The Wisconsin spirit has for its motto: "There are no quitters in Wisconsin."

After the first month or two comes the first-class mixer. The freshmen are invited to attend an informal reception in Library hall. The men of the other classes have their smokers at various times through the winter. The senior class keeps up an old tradition when it gathers every February for the senior swing-out. At this meeting the seniors for the first time appear, or are supposed to appear, in cap and gown. The women follow this custom in goodly numbers, but it is seldom if ever, that the practical engineer or the scoffing law man can be persuaded to don this ancient garb. The programme consists of addresses by members of the faculty, and music. The rest of the evening is taken up with dancing.

Dancing at the University of Wisconsin has a very prominent place in the social life. There are six military hops and two naval balls given during the year under the auspices of these departments respectively. At the former, the men are obliged

to wear the University regiment uniforms and this fact makes them popular chiefly among the underclassmen, to whom the glamour of blue coats and brass buttons is still fresh and alluring. The naval balls are somewhat more formal than the hops. The officers of the regiment give what is known as the Officers' ball. This is a very formal and usually a very pretty affair.

"Interscholastic," a very ambiguous term for a non-university event, has acquired great importance for the Greek Letter societies. Interscholastic means the athletic meet held here, usually during the last week of May, for the High schools of the State. This time has been made the date for rushing here, the fraternities and sororities taking advantage of the influx of High school students, many of whom are to become University students the next fall. Before the date we send out our invitations to those High school students who are recommended to us. We also entertain at Interscholastic such University students as we wish to rush.

An event tried here for the first time this year was a May Day Fete, given by the co-eds. The affair took place on the upper campus at six thirty in the evening. The women were dressed in white with significant adornments, as flags, etc. The seniors wore caps and gowns. After a grand march several dances were given around a May pole. Crowds of people came to see the Fete and, though an innovation here, it will probably be accepted and will become one of our college customs.

The affairs of Commencement week are in general the same here as at nearly every college. The only unique feature is the Pipe of Peace ceremony. The Pipe of Peace is a long Indian pipe decorated with class ribbons for many years back. A senior is custodian of the pipe and on the evening of the Class Day he brings it to the Lower Campus where a crowd of juniors and seniors and other spectators have gathered around a huge bonfire. In the light of the flickering, dancing flames the custodian speaks a few words of good will and advice to the juniors and voices the farewell of the passing class. He is answered by the junior who has been chosen custodian for the coming year. Then the Pipe of Peace with its new ribbons is passed around the circle to be smoked according to the old Indian custom.

These affairs I have described so briefly and inadequately,

make up a few of the interesting features of our University life. There are probably many others which to a stranger's observation are distinctive customs but which to us are so innate that we fail to appreciate them.

We are proud of our University with its size, its strength and its far-reaching fame. We are proud of the Wisconsin spirit, which has made it what it is and which wherever we are, in convocation, at Camp Randall, on the campus, moves us to rise and stand with bared heads as we sing our "Varsity Toast":

"Varsity Varsity! U-Rah-Rah Wisconsin;
Praise to thee we sing,
Praise to thee our Alma Mater,
U-Rah-Rah Wisconsin!"

Ruth N. Ekern, Theta.

A SOUTH DAKOTA CUSTOM

Since time immemorial it has been the custom for the seniors to entertain the other classes, but singularly enough it is really the others who entertain the seniors. The amusement is afforded by "slams" on each other, so at least once a year we have a chance to "see ourselves as others see us." It falls upon the freshmen to slam the sophomores and they do so with alacrity. Upon the sophomores falls the double duty of slamming both the freshmen and juniors, while the juniors in turn take off the seniors.

The sophomores this year were noted for their exciting class meetings, so the freshmen gave an imitation of their fight over the class play and the leading characters, the president and the class boss, were so true to life we could not help recognizing them.

The sophomores undertook the whole task of changing the freshmen into juniors. Der Herr Proffessor Von Streichendoch introduced a machine by means of which the freshmen could be immediately transformed into juniors without traveling the stormy path of the sophomore year. Each soph impersonated some freshmen with all his idiosyncracies passing through the machine, whereupon another soph took up the part and impersonated the juniors. One poor, aspiring freshman, wanted to

be turned into a big football player "just like Brother Bill." Prof. Von Streichendoch did the best he could, but all that came of him was just a football dummy.

The juniors showed us what we might expect of the seniors on Class Day. The first thing we found on the pasteboard program, which they handed us, was a "seleckshun" by the orchestra, which was composed of mouth organs, jews harps and one squeaky fiddle, and made an effect indeed soul inspiring. This was followed by the address of welcome, the theme of which was "Well—anyway You're Welcome."

The rest of the seniors usual program was carried out in the same spirit, but the seniors only looked down from their dizzy heights and smiled. The evening was concluded by a delicious spread and an informal hop.

Mary A. Nichols, Epsilon.

THE DIARY OF A SYRACUSE FRESHMAN

Sept. 19—Arrived in Syracuse this A. M. Great town. Ordered a new suit which will come next week. Bought a freshman cap—green with an orange button. It makes a swell combination with red hair and freckles.

Flour rush to-night. About one hundred freshies pitted against eight sophomores. I guess flour was too expensive, so the accommodating upper classmen provided us with lamp-black. Great sport that! Hope to get the stuff out of my hair before I go home Christmas. Glad I brought that old sweater and my overalls.

Sept. 20—First chapel. My, but Chancellor Day's an awful sympethetic man. When he spoke of the folks at home being so proud of their college boy, I had to wink mighty hard.

After chapel, we and the sophs had a salt rush. What would ma say if she could have seen it. She thinks foot-ball's barbarous, but it isn't in it with the salt rush. We had to march around Crouse College three times, while the sophs soaked us with bags of salt and everything else that came handy, on the side, of course. My, but it was exciting. When I came to myself, I was wandering about minus half a shirt and plus a black eye. I didn't mind it though. It was worth it, for we won.

We also won the wrestling matches which followed. (Note.) Girls don't enter the rushes. They sit on the bank and cheer us on.

Pretty strenuous life. Freshmen-sophomore reception to-night. Had a terrible time getting a girl. You see, freshmen men take sophomore women, while sophomore men take freshmen women. Finally a Delta Sigma man offered to find me a partner, which he did—about eight P. M. Mighty nice of him, I say. Just as we got to Crouse College, where the reception was held, we met a bunch of upper classmen, one of whom walked off with my girl—the very fellow who got her for me, confound him—while the rest devoted themselves to me. I was lugged off to a place where there were a lot of other captives. I had to stand on my head a dozen times, make five speeches, compare a poem to a buttercup, sing, "Mary Had a Little Lamb," give my prep school yell, and a few other little things like that. Finally, they let me go with my collar hind side before, my coat wrong side out, and my trousers turned up to my knees. Just wait till I'm an upper classman. I'll take it out on somebody. When I got straightened around and back in the hall, a still more serious complication confronted me. How in the dickens was I to find my girl. I had only known her half an hour. I knew she had dark hair and wore a white dress, so did a hundred others. I wandered around rather aimlessly until I saw a lone girl coming towards me, looking as though she wasn't sure whether she knew me or didn't. I made a bold stab and luckily hit it. She's a pretty good sort of a girl. The upper classmen didn't bother us any more. Gee, when my brother was here, they climbed up into the trees and turned a hose right into the hall. The next day about a hundred packed their trunks. They don't do such things any more. Wish they did but I suppose it is rather hard on the girls.

Sept. 21—Every day after chapel, the fellows get together on the stairs and sing. It sounds fine.

Sept. 22—One thing I've learned to-day is, that the freshmen must sit in their seats in chapel until the other classes in order of rank, have passed out. Glad my brother warned me about that chapel seat gag. One poor fool paid a sophomore half a dollar for one and then thought he'd struck a bargain.

Sept. 23—Was forcibly reminded to tip my hat when I passed a sophomore.

Sept. 24—College sing on the campus to-night. About five hundred fellows sat on the slope singing and yelling, while the co-eds, on the campus, cheered and looked on.

Sept. 27—Went to D. K. E. house to lunch, D. U. house to dinner and to the Psi Upsilon in the evening.

Sept. 28—Joined Y. M. C. A. Subscribed for all the college papers.

Sept. 30—Pledged to D. K. E.

Oct. 15—Interclass track meet. Freshmen won with fifteen points to the good.

Oct. 24—Guess we silenced the sophs upon the foot-ball question, all right—to the tune of 16-2. It really ain't no fun to win all the time.

Dec. 12—Freshman banquet. Great sport. Five windows broken; four sophs in lock up.

Dec. 13—I'm changing my views about the Chancellor. Something is going to be doing if senior council, which is supposed to govern the student affairs, doesn't investigate that banquet.

Dec. 15—Junior promenade. Great time.

Dec. 16—Banquet affair settled satisfactorily—to the faculty—by a fifty cent student tax. Talk about graft.

Feb. 4—Valentine's day coming early this year. Most everyone got a blue card from the faculty. Twenty flunked out already, on the midyears. Just escaped by passing up nine hours.

Feb. 15—Rah! Rah! Rah! for the freshmen girls. They beat the sophs at basket-ball. Wish I was a reporter.

Feb. 28—Senior ball. Can't afford it. Freshman vs. sophomores in annual snow rush, this A. M. It goes without saying that we won. Wonder how it would seem to lose.

Mar. 22—Less said about class debate, the better. Out for the crew. Bu—but it's cold work pushing a boat off in the icy water.

Mar. 23—Perhaps girls don't understand the ins and outs of politics! Just watch the Woman's League elections.

Mar. 30—Athletic Association elections. Great rivalry.

April 5—Still on crew.



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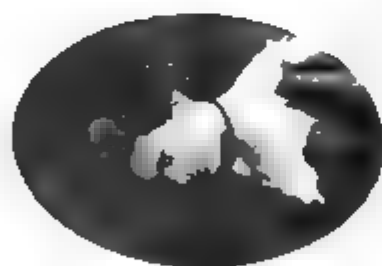
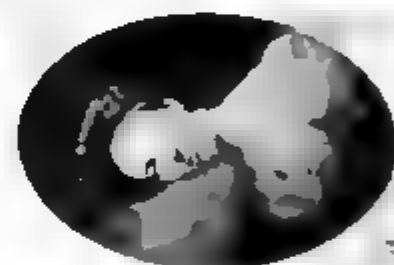
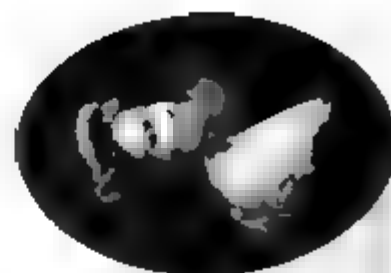
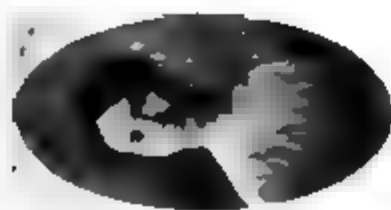
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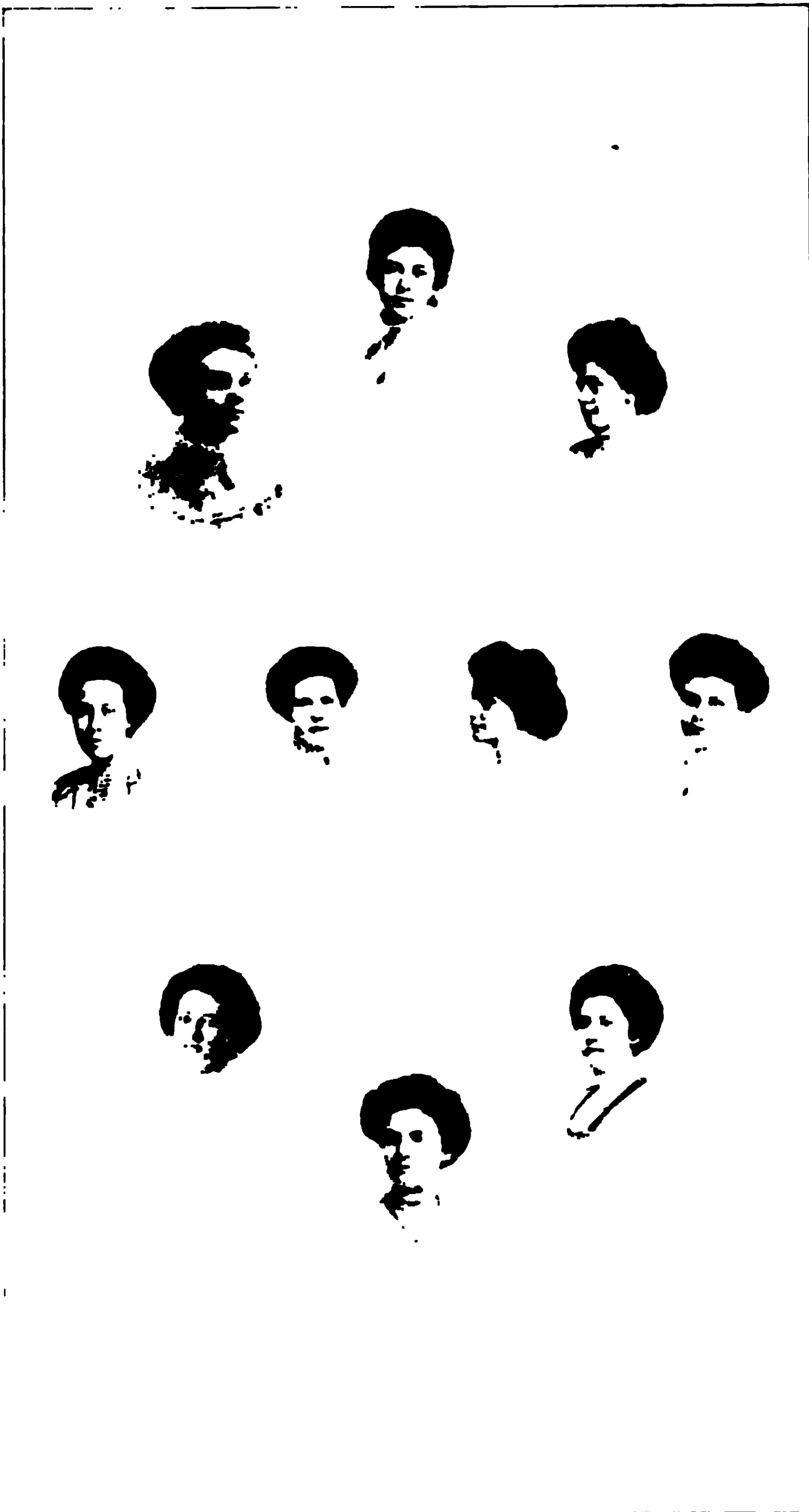


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EPSILON—UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA

Grace Nantzen	Lilla Farbell	Helen Miller	Clara Salmer	Mary Nichols	Margaret Miller	Bertha Small
Mabelle Eastman	Mabel Richardson	Edith Johnson	Edith Johnson	Bertha Richardson	Loena Grange	Ethel Richardson
Sarah Sewall	Helen Hill	Helen Feazee		Julia Sweet	Helen Trabel	Mable Green



ZITTA WITH HENRI RE. COLLECTED

1. What is the purpose of the study?
 The purpose of the study is to investigate the effect of a new teaching method on student performance.



ETA-SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

Ethel Patterson Inez Holt Miranda Myers Lucy Graham Anna Roth Theodora Bodwell Elizabeth Tucker
 Helen Chase Edith Lawrence Belle Chadbourne Eva Elliott Belle Parker Mabel Dunn Hazel Slayton Mary Curtis Helen Truax Ethel Carling
 Florence Curtis Louise Hopkins Kathryn Thompson Laura Tichen Margaret Hoard Hazel Brush Marion Green



THEIA UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

1. Annie Pott 2. Ella Anden 3. Louise Felt 4. Edith Shuster 5. Frances Albors 6. Helen Davis 7. Winifred Ryan 8. Mary Ray
 9. Ida Fenton 10. Charlotte Gardner 11. Elizabeth Tucker 12. Florence Simon 13. Anna Hoegh

April 15—We're ahead in the inter-fraternity base-ball league.

April 30—Boar's Head, the dramatic club staged, "The Rivals," at Wieting Opera House to-night. Pretty fair performance.

May 5—Interclass crew races. Freshmen won. All aboard for Poughkeepsie!

May 7—Moving-up day. Out all night before, painting everything green. Just escaped being captured by the sophomores. The dormitories and chapter houses were all decorated with green and orange bunting, S. U. and other pennants. Rah! Rah! Rah! for the faculty! They gave us the whole morning as a holiday. Chapel was held in Crouse College. The faculty, in full war paint, appeared upon the platform while the seniors for the first time in caps and gowns, occupied the seats in front. The hall was crowded. Dean Smalley spoke upon the origin and the development of the moving-up day celebration.

Long ago, in the first days of S. U., it was customary for the seniors to take their examinations the first of May, before the other classes. Thus, during this period, their seats in chapel were left vacant. Soon the juniors said to one another, "It is only a short time now before we will be the seniors. Why not occupy the senior seats now?" And accordingly they did so. Before long the other two classes also "moved up." In the natural course of events, the students asked for the hour following chapel in which to hold exercises appropriate to the day upon which they "moved up." Obtaining the inch, of course, they demanded the mile, so before long they petitioned for the whole morning following chapel. Then the idea of a freshman parade, as suitable to the occasion, arose. "This year," continued the Dean, "we have given you the whole morning and I suppose—well, I may as well say it—I suppose before a great many years you will have the whole day." (Dean S. is responsible for the rhetoric.) Of course a great deal of applause showed the students' appreciation of the last clause.

When the Dean had finished his remarks, a representative from each class was called upon to tell just how and why his class was the best ever. I was appointed as the martyr from our class. I had prepared what was, in my own estimation, a

pretty fair speech. When I was called upon, I made my bow to the faculty and to the audience:

"To speak of the achievements of the class of '11 would, I fear,—

"You, bet it would," came in derisive accents from the rear and swallowed up the rest of my particularly telling introductory sentence. When a lull came, I began again: "The present occasion reminds me of a little story. Once,"—but I got no further.

"Aw, take your hands out of your pockets."

"Gesture please—right hand."

"Did you read that story in the *Ladies' Home Journal*?"

The rest of the speech didn't matter.

At eleven A. M. occurred the best freshman parade ever held at Syracuse University. I am too sleepy to write it all up. There were clowns, Fiji Islanders, farmyard animals, six feet tall, a gigantic book worm, a hundred feet long, contributed by the "Fine Arts" students, take-offs on the faculty, grinds on recent college events. The coming class of 1912, was represented by a baby with a nursing bottle, pushed along in a baby carriage. I was the baby. In the rear, came a hack in which sat a minister—on his knees, a coffin containing our green caps. When the parade had returned to the campus after a trip downtown, the coffin, caps and all was buried with the customary burial services. I bought a gray cap yesterday. No more green lids for mine. Hooray! I am a sophomore now!

Belle Chadbourne, Eta.

THE COMING OF THE FLEET

For months it had been talked of and all Seattle had read with the deepest interest of the long journey of the Atlantic fleet around the Horn, of the cordial welcome accorded our sailors in South American ports and of the magnificent record made at the target practice in Magdalena Bay.

After the first visit to a home port when the sixteen battle ships reached San Diego and reports began to come of the elaborate reception lavished on the visitors all along the California coast, plans were rapidly formulated which later on proved that Seattle could make a record too, when it came to a question of doing honor to the flower of Uncle Sam's Navy.

Shortly before the arrival of the fleet Captain Hobson of "Merrimac" fame delivered a very interesting lecture at the university on the needs of the American navy, whereupon, once again proving that great minds flow in the same channel the English professors to a man, assigned for a theme the topic, "Should the United States increase her navy?" As this caught fully three-fourths of the students in the academic department and incidentally of the Alpha Xi Delta sorority (who had been struggling all year on such weighty subjects as "What I can see from the Ad. Building steps") many and heated were the discussions of the probability of war with our yellow neighbors overseas and the relative merits of the "Dreadnaught" type of battleship as compared to our fine new "Nebraska." The fact that few if any of us could have told the difference between a turret and a conning tower was completely lost sight of.

The sight of battleships is not a novel one in Seattle, as the largest navy yard on the coast is situated on Puget Sound only a few miles from the city, and the Pacific cruiser fleet had paid a short visit to the Sound a few weeks before, but of course no such naval spectacle had ever been witnessed there previous to this time as was now looked for. Seattle is a city of about two hundred and eighty thousand, but during fleet week thousands

of people poured into the city on every train until the population must have been doubled. Traffic in the business section was almost congested while even standing room in the street cars was a cause for fervent thanksgiving. How the whole northwest, American and Canadian, Japanese and Chinese united in one great celebration, has been told and retold in all the papers and need not be dwelt upon here.

On the morning of May 23rd the crowds began to assemble along the docks and bluffs above the Sound, and the University quarter was early stripped of its scholarly denizens. The Alpha Xis moved by the same impulse of patriotism, sallied forth in two sections, agreeing to meet at Kinnear Park which commands a full view of the Sound. The first section arrived safely but the rear guard, which bore the lunch baskets, never succeeded in getting beyond the business part of the city, so great had the crowd become by noon.

The Seattle harbor is generally conceded to be one of the most beautiful in America, its deep blue waters surrounded by green hills, with the snow-clad blympies rising sharply along the western horizon and the Cascade Range to the east. As the magnificent white and buff men-of-war swung into sight around Magnolia Bluff, the big "Connecticut" in the lead, the sight was one never to be forgotten, and it is perfectly safe to say that there did not breathe in Seattle an American with soul so dead as not to have his enthusiasm stirred to the highest pitch by this tangible evidence of the power and weight of this great republic. No naval expert who valued his own safety would have dared venture the opinion *then* that our newest battleships had been obsolete for three years, nor could any wars or rumors of wars have disturbed the serenity of the proud onlookers.

Promptly at nine that evening at a signal from the flagship, the lights on the warships were switched on completely outlining them, hull, mast and smokestack. When the great searchlights, calculated to throw their light for a distance of ten miles, were turned on, the scene was one of wonderful beauty.

The business streets of the city were strung for several miles with red, white and blue incandescents, while thousands of flags

and banners bearing the words, "Welcome to the Fleet," were in evidence. Admiral Sperry, "Fighting Bob's" worthy successor, was presented with a golden key by Mayor Miller as significant of the welcome of the citizens, and certainly both officers and men found this but a partial indication of the warm hospitality awaiting them.

The most interesting feature of it all from the university viewpoint occurred on the 25th, when a large transport was secured and thirteen hundred light-hearted students and professors cruised among the warships for two hours. We seemed to be as much objects of interest to the sailors as they to us and as the strains of some gay martial air from the varsity band reached them across the water they would jig a gay accompaniment. In response to our "Oskey, wow, wow, Washingtonia" the sincopated navy call "N, N, N," came back in perfect time. At last we were hailed by an officer on the "Minnesota" and invited to come alongside and board the ship. As we neared the float attached to the huge man-of-war our skipper called out to the seamen who were helping us board, "Catch that line aft there, will you? I've got a lot of anxious kids here that can't wait much longer." After a half hour of pushing and squeezing down a narrow companion way, across the gang plank and up the side of the warship on a tippy little ladder we found ourselves free to satisfy our interest in that part of the vessel open to the public.

Kodaks and cameras were much in evidence and both officers and men offered alluring subjects for snap shots. One weary Jack Tar with a pair of suffering feet wrapped in burlap who had disposed himself for a nap in the sun, awoke to find several kodaks focused upon him. Needless to say his exit was not delayed by any ill-timed excuses. A huge Washington banner was presented to the battleship by the students who then reluctantly took their departure.

The following day there occurred the largest and finest parade ever witnessed in the northwest, when twelve thousand sailors, marines and regular army troops took part. Nor must the sixteen little bears, mascots of the battleships, be forgotten even though one or two disloyal, little fellows firmly declined to march and had to be carried.

This visit of the most powerful fleet ever sailing under the stars and stripes will long be considered an event in the history of the city of Seattle. Long anticipated and long planned for, it did not disappoint in any sense of the word. Whatever the meaning of the long cruise or the purpose behind the dispatching of this mighty armada, it has aroused such a feeling of patriotism and such a deep interest in the navy as would not have been possible otherwise, nor can it fail to win the admiration and applause of the nations of the world as it continues its famous voyage.

Mary Emily Kay, Gamma, '04, Nu, '08.

A SONNET

Would that my talents were for nobler things,—
To charm the ages with a lasting lay;
To crowd my bit of canvas with array
Of pageants, purple, and the pomp of kings;
With soft-toned harmonies from trembling strings,
The world enslaved by lingering sound to sway;
With quickening touch to mold the pliant clay;
Till bards should sound my praise a thousand springs.
Yet ever to my hand a task I find,
A tale to tell, a common song to sing,
A smile to cheer a weary one, to bind
With tender art a sparrow's broken wing.
Trusting the deeds unknown, like stars by day,
In that last night may gleam along my way.

Mary Meek Atkeson, Iota.

[From the "Monticola" of the University of West Virginia.]

THE MUCH-CRITICISED CHAPTER LETTER

In our fraternity journals there are many subjects so often discussed that, from being constantly harped upon, they strike the senses as trite and wearisome. Even so unpleasantly does the practice of scales and arpeggios fall upon the ear, yet the skillful organist must submit to the tiresome repetition if he is to make his technique admirable.

It is scarcely with the officious aim of perfecting the technique of our chapter correspondents that I rewrite what has been written so often and so well; but it is rather because there are at present new chapter editors who may welcome a few time-worn suggestions in regard to their work.

The main function of the ALPHA XI DELTA is to carry an account of each chapter's progress to our whole fraternity. Accordingly, we recognize the fact that the chapter letters are really the most important part of the journal, and we seek to make these letters of a type to perform worthily the service for which they are intended.

If the letter achieves its actual aim, first of all it should touch upon the basic activities of chapter life, telling what the group from which it comes is accomplishing as a whole, and what the individual members are doing in relation to the chapter. At this point we should distinguish between the items that belong to the letter and those that should form a part of the personals. Any bit of news at all affecting the whole chapter should be given in the former, while only that belonging to life outside fraternity circles should be put among the latter. If May Brown has won an honor in college or is about to continue her education by travel, the chapter correspondent should record the fact in her letter. On the other hand, if May Brown has friends visiting her at the house, or is spending Junior Week at another college, the editor may place the item among the personals. We make this distinction in order to increase the importance of the subject matter of the letters, which are getting

to be shorter and less interesting than the personals. The letter is the place for an account of the achievements of the chapter, for its hopeful plans and successful methods. During the quarter, its writer should take notes of every point of interest to her fraternity in other colleges. She should not for an instant consider her work of slight value, but should think that upon her skill in expressing chapter life and enthusiasm in her letter, depends the real success of the ALPHA XI DELTA.

To add one "do not" to all the above "do's," the chapter correspondent should be careful that her work is simple, and sincere, and free from expressions like "the sadness of commencement," the "cold world," and "a perfectly delightful time." Such merely sentimental forms of phraseology are sure to obscure the really good thought that the writer is trying to put into words.

Perchance some inexperienced editor may want an illustration of a fairly good chapter letter. I have at hand only one fraternity journal besides the ALPHA XI DELTA and so am forced to limit my choice to the letters in that,—the *June Crescent*." The first letter quoted below seems to express the life and spirit of the chapter from which it comes. It records no university news, possibly because at that time there was none of interest to the national fraternity. The second mentions both chapter and college events, but it fails to show their significance. It casually mentions what I personally know to have been an unusually clever comic opera, and one well worth a few lines of description. It says, "The Schoolmaster's Club met here . . . and we had a jolly household for a few days." That sentence means nothing to the girls of other colleges unless they are made to understand the nature of the club and its educational value to all Michigan.

[COPY FIRST.]

"Dear Sisters: One of the events for Alpha during the past month was the party given for us by our ever close friends, the Alumnæ. Mrs. Porter opened her spacious home on Orchard road, but, large as it was, we Gamma Phis nearly filled it. We had great fun opening our individual surprise boxes, which proved to contain rare but practical gifts, such as "tenpins,"

“Gold Dust Twins” and many other fakes of like nature. After watching some unique charades, we were served a very fine supper. We of course closed with a rousing good sing, and everybody came away filled to the brim with “Gamma Phi cheer.”

We are now anticipating our next reunion, which will be at the time of our annual “donation party.” The entertainment for this occasion is always planned by the sophomore class. This year a genuine minstrel show is to be given, and we have little doubt as to its success, as we believe there is a lot of talent stored away in our under-classmen.

Just before the Easter holidays we gave a little bridge party for some sub-freshmen, but that is about the only entertaining we have indulged in. The girls have, however, kept busy with other things fully as important. One of our seniors, “Rege” Waters, won distinction for some good playing in the annual senior-junior basketball game. Other of our girls have been prominent in helping to form “The Woman’s League,” an organization whose purpose is to promote student government among the women of the University. Marion Williams, our one senior of the Fine Arts College, appeared on the program of the April “Public” and won much praise for her fine work. Jess Truman, ’09, is pledged to the senior society of Eta Pi Upsilon.

With only a few weeks more of college, Alpha is beginning to realize that she will soon lose one of the largest and strongest senior classes she has ever had. It is unusual for a class to remain so intact throughout the four years, there being only one out of the eleven who did not finish her course.

Alpha sends best wishes to each and every Gamma Phi.”

[COPY SECOND.]

“Since the last Crescent letter lots of things have happened at Michigan. Junior hop, sophomore prom and freshman banquet are things of the past.

In February the men of the college gave a comic opera called “Michigenda.” It was a great success, and every one agreed that it was better than anything they had given before.

Schoolmasters’ Club met here just before vacation. A goodly number of the old girls were back, and we certainly had a jolly

household for a few days. We gave a tea at the house for the girls and their friends in town and had a good time generally.

Now we are getting ready to give a little play at the spring banquet. The date of the banquet has not been decided upon, but we hope that all the Alumnæ who can will be here.

This year Beta is going to have the pleasure of entertaining all the girls at convention. We take this opportunity to urge all to come. We trust that a great many more than the regular delegates will find it possible to visit Beta chapter. All Gamma Phis will be more than welcome."



ALPHA PHI

Of the organizations which are affiliated in the Inter-Sorority Conference, Alpha Phi is the fifth in the order of founding. It was founded at Syracuse University on October 20, 1872, and was, in this university where there now more Greek Letter societies for women than at any other American college or university, the first women's fraternity.

With regard to expansion, Alpha Phi is regarded as very conservative, for though it has been nearly forty years in existence, its present chapter roll includes but fourteen active chapters. These are, however, in some of the best institutions, and it is noteworthy that all of Alpha Phi's chapters, with a single exception, are in colleges which have in them a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa. The active chapters are as follows:

Alpha, Syracuse University, 1872; Beta, Northwestern University, 1881; Gamma, DePauw University, 1887; Delta, Cornell University, 1889; Epsilon, University of Minnesota, 1890; Zeta, Woman's College of Baltimore, 1891; Eta, Boston University, 1883; Theta, University of Michigan, 1892; Iota, University of Wisconsin, 1896; Kappa, Leland Stanford, Jr., University, 1899; Lambda, University of California, 1901; Mu, Barnard College, 1903; Nu, University of Nebraska, 1906; Xi, University of Toronto, 1906.

Alpha Phi has also established nine Alumnæ chapters: Chicago Alumnæ, Central New York Alumnæ, Boston Alumnæ, Minnesota Alumnæ, New York City Alumnæ, Southern Alumnæ, Western New York Alumnæ, Detroit Alumnæ, San Francisco Alumnæ.

The two last named have only recently been added to the list. Each of these Alumnæ associations is given representation in the National convention.

Alpha Phi's badge is a monogram of the two Greek letters, Alpha and Phi. The society has no official jewel, but the pins are often set with gems. The plain, unjeweled pin is, however, much used. The pledge pin is a small circular badge of bordeaux enamel, with the open motto, "Hand in Hand," in Greek between two bands of silver.

The number of Alpha Phi's initiates is now about 1600, of whom 300 are active members.

The first chapter house ever owned by a women's fraternity was the one erected by Alpha Phi in 1889 at Syracuse.

Among Alpha Phi's well-known members was Dr. Electa Whipple, the noted physician and surgeon of Buffalo, whose death occurred recently.

WHAT THE LITTLE GREEN NOTE- BOOK TOLD

Down stairs they were taking flashlights; over in the other cottage hilarious bed-making was in progress on the veranda for the open-air sleepers; upstairs three distinct conversations rose and mingled above the thin board partitions of three rooms, while from a fourth no sound issued excepting the faint scratching of a hard and squeaky pencil. Presently, however, the silence in the fourth room was broken by a sleepy voice.

"You look just like a green-and-yellow frog, huddled up there. Why don't you come to bed?" said the voice, as its owner turned lazily over and looked at a girl in a gay kimona and two short brown braids, sitting on the bed, using her knees for a writing-desk while she scratched away industriously in a little green book.

The girl in the kimona looked up with a distraught air.

"I thought I'd keep a 'diary,' don't you know," she replied. "This first Wisconsin Alpha Xi camping party is certainly worth recording—but there are so many things to tell about," she sighed, and hearing a half-snore from her companion returned to her pencil and the little green notebook.

Thursday, June 18, 1908, 11:15 P. M.

If I can ever settle my wits after this eventful day, and get my mind off the conversations, I'll try to settle this chronicle in order. The maids are talking at the tops of their voices about the "Pig race" (only they wouldn't call it that) they attended at Esther Beach to-night. The red-haired one just said, "Did you see the fellow I got acquainted with? He is a swell dancer but he wasn't so nice outdoors." It is like what you read about—to hear them talk—and they might be a large-hearted, loud and noisy piece of the Bowery itself, if one of them didn't have the freshest country complexion imaginable.

Floss and I went to the train to see Winefred off this noon,

so we didn't go out with the main part of the crowd. * * * As we were coming up from the station we heard the Alpha whistle, had a glimpse of the girls whizzing by in the car, and a moment later saw them disembarking with all their impedimenta, on the way to the boat at Anglemore Station. We had to laugh over that vision of ourselves as "others" would undoubtedly see us a little later. Everyone was laden with boxes, suitcases, coats, umbrellas—Louise's great bouquet of American beauties (in the ice-cream freezer for lack of a vase large enough) and Teena's red pompadour making startling oases of vivid color in the scene. * * * *

There is a high wire fence with a goodly supply of "barb" between our two cottages,—hence the stile, a marvel of ingenuity constructed of chairs and boxes. We wound pieces of old carpet about the barb-wire at the stile, but two of the boys who came over this evening found a board and nailed it on top of the fence so that the apparatus is vastly improved.

We eat on the big screened-in veranda of one of the cottages—and unless the maids can identify the dishes we took from the other cottage, I think the owners will have to fight it out between them.

I do wish more of our sisters from other chapters might be with us. We have so enjoyed meeting the single one who has come: Alice Brenne of Epsilon. * * This is certainly an ideal way of getting acquainted with "old" and "new" girls you have scarcely known; and of talking over old times with friends you haven't seen for several years, perhaps. It is certainly quite reunion-like for the four of us '06 girls who are back, but we miss mightily the ones who aren't here.

Saturday, June 20.

Didn't write in the little green book last night, so here's a two days' duty to be performed in short order.

Couldn't begin to set down more than a catalogue of all the things we have done these days: boating, swimming (down at Mary Rayne's cottage where the beach is fine), launch rides, cribbage, sleeping and day-dreaming and reading on the grass under the trees, watching the lake and the birds and trees, going to Hoboken for the daily supply of groceries, climbing the

stile, and taking long walks to Winnequah and Turbill's Point. That constitutes our doings in the aggregate, for no one, not even the liveliest of us, could have done it all. I forgot to mention the big rain and wind storm last night that forced the out-of-doors sleepers to beat a tumultuous retreat into the house, dragging their bed clothes and mattresses behind them. * * *

Theo and Ida are to attend summer school which begins Tuesday. They went to town this morning, to register. * * * * Floss and her mother left to-day, too—so we have lost the other one of our "kittens," and one chaperone.

That reminds me, I haven't mentioned the other chaperone or the "deputy-chap." yet. Mrs. Claire Cook who works in the office of the Department of State and has already completely won our hearts, is our chaperone. She comes out on the five o'clock boat in the evening and goes back on the seven-fifteen in the morning. The only thing we don't like about that arrangement is the fact that it allows us so little of her—particularly as most of us aren't up when she and Molly (one of our well-beloved pledges) run for the boat. Glad to-morrow is Sunday so we can have her all day. The "deputy-chap." is Mrs. Cook's little English terrier, Punch, who stays with us all the time, and fairly wags off his abbreviated apology of a tail every evening when his mistress returns.

Girls are coming and going continuously. Some who cannot stay all the time drop in for a day or two. There are about eighteen of us absolutely permanent, although we have twenty-three or twenty-four stowed away every night; and with the men who turn up for tea now and then, we seldom have less than thirty at the evening meal.

Sunday.

I went to town to-day for the mail, and incidentally to call on some friends. Was afraid to look Bess in the face when I came back because she had asked me to get her last installment of carrots which Georgie had forgotten yesterday—which I forgot to-day. They're still reposing on the kitchen table at the house! * * * * The number of nickels that girl squanders on raw carrots is simply astounding. Every time anyone has gone

to town so far, she has sent in an order for carrots, until the thing has become as much a joke as Elizabeth's "magic curlers."

Sang Alpha Xi Delta songs—and others—all the evening. * * It has been a hot day; although the mosquitos drive us early to the shelter of the veranda, we are glad of the evening cool, when the lights twinkling in the city across the lake add a touch of mystery and interest to the night. * * * * * This evening there was heat lightning: every flash showed the clouds, dusky, outlined with gold, and reflected for a moment in the water beneath: it was most wierd and beautiful.

Monday.

Awoke this morning to hear Mrs. Cook and Molly hurriedly dressing and talking in exciting undertones about being late for the boat. Looked at my watch and saw it was only half-past six—called in to them—their clock said seven. They felt somewhat relieved, but still hurried mightily. The last I saw of them Mrs. Cook was running down the dewy, grass-grown road toward Hoboken, and Molly was doing a marvelous gymnastic feat, climbing over the stile with four halves of bananas, two slices of bread, and a purse, in her hands. How she ever contrived to do it, I don't know, but she got over somehow for I saw her. * * * About five minutes later the seven o'clock whistles blew over in the city—and some twenty minutes after that the boat reached Hoboken. They must have had time a-plenty to eat their bread and "banana's!"

* * * * * This day has gone largely like the others. One of the chief events of the day is the arrival of the mail-boat, about two in the afternoon. * * * We have the fence opened now at a place where two pieces of wire are joined. Some of the fellows did it yesterday for us. The stile is abandoned, excepting as a short-cut in time of great haste. * * * * * Lulu burned her neck and arms so badly to-day that she looks as if she were wearing a bright pink slip underneath her shirtwaist, and she has quite a problem getting settled for the night.

We have a fine big Alpha Xi Delta banner on the flag-pole of one cottage. It is a source of much interest to the itinerent fishermen on the lake who quite forget their hooks and lines

while they try to decipher the inscription which is evidently "all Greek" to them.

We have been teasing Jessie unmercifully because of something she said to-night. She wrote a letter to her sister and is going to send it by special delivery to-morrow morning so that Alice can get it and let her know the same day whether she will be out for the dance in the evening. Well, after entrusting the letter to Mrs. Cook to mail, Jessie said, with a burst of pure inspiration:

"I'll tell you what, girls, I think I'll go down to the Beach and call Alice up over long-distance and tell her I'm going to send her a special delivery so she'll be watching for it, as there isn't much time between trains and—" she didn't get any farther for by that time we were all shouting at her.

Wednesday.

Was too sleepy to write after the dance—and am very much that way to-night. But this is to be the end of the little green notebook. I simply cannot bear to think of telling about breaking camp,—it will be bad enough to do it. * * *

There were so many of us old 'uns at the dance that we had a reception line of the whole thirty-one girls, and as a consequence some of the fellows came out at the end of the line with names most decidedly metamorphosed. One told me that he didn't mind most of the transformations, but when it came to turning Bragg into Bray, it made me feel altogether too much like a donkey! * * * We had great fun coming home through the woods by the light of two lanterns, with cries of "Mud, turn to the right!" to warn us out of the puddles, and the last boat shrieking warning to the boys to hurry back.

We have had all manner of snapshots these days—hope they turn out well. * * * *

Elizabeth and Alice are going to the Dells of the Wisconsin for a little excursion. We're certainly sorry to have them leave. * * * * * That's the worst of such a good time as this—and of all incidental meeting with congenial souls—to think that after the incidental half hour, or day, or week, one may never see them again! Yet there's a consolation in it, too; every time it happens you are more and more convinced that what-



IOTA—UNIVERSITY OF WEST VIRGINIA

Leda Aikman	Blanche Watkins	Ethel Green	Mabel Weaver	Lillian Smith
	Mabelle Watkins	Mary Cooper	Mary Favel	Crystal Courtney
			Dorella Johnson-Quick	
			Mary Atkeson	



KAPPA—UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

Fessoria Retz	Myrtle Cohen	Suzette Nelson	Katherine Blake	Corry Rule	Jane Thomas
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KAPPA UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

Elizabeth Albion

Vida Gentch

Agnes Shannon

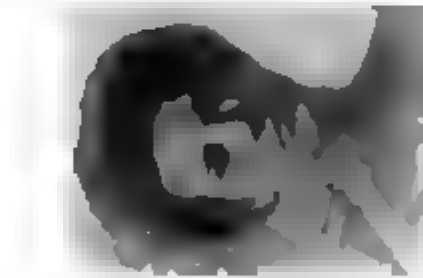
Mary Beckel

Eva Rule

Edna Hunt



Meyer Martin



Louise Reitz



Grace Spencer



Lucille Kay



Laura Carr



Gertrude Edbrooke

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LAMBDA—TUFTS COLLEGE

Myrtle M. Kilpatrick Gertrude C. Johnson Susan L. Knight Anne R. McCoy Ada L. Smith Helen S. Burdham E. Marie Wood
 Amy V. Richards Emily M. Cate Miriam S. Carleton Beatrice M. McFarland Ethel L. Fuller
 Bertha M. Shephard Elsie M. Chandler Audrey L. Duffey



MU—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Mrs. Schaefer	Alice Meloy	Fannie Gardner	Dolly Hendrickson	Marjorie Thompson	Elmer Lathrop
Vin Hichings	Lucy Spink	Clara Beck	Grace Gilbert	Georgia Howell	Mary Schudy
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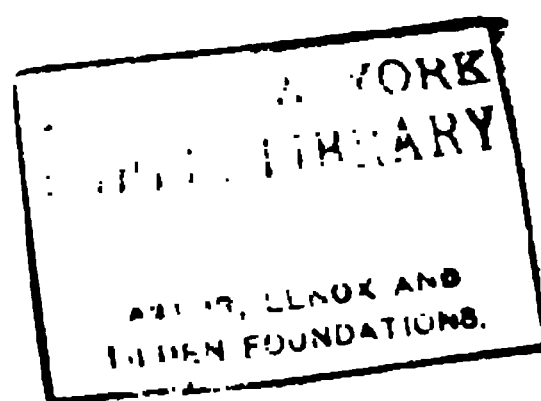
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ever you may do there are sure to be, now and then, just such "fine and dandy," whole-hearted people who will cross your path, or travel a little way on it with you. * * *

You should have seen the sunset to-night. Across the lake the domes and spires of the city were silhouetted clean-cut against the sky, and above them hung great masses of opal-tinted cloud, with a long slender, red-gold line of cloud hanging over the dome of Main hall, and tiny, airy, rose-pink patches drifting here and there in the blue,—one couldn't begin to describe it, nor the wonderful peace and quiet of the evening.

Later on, there was a big fire in the grate at one of the cottages, and some of us toasted marshmallows; others sat on the veranda and watched the golden after glow fade slowly behind the trees—while we talked a little, or sat in silence, just rejoicing in the scene. * * Then, after the boys had gone, we all sat about the fire and talked—and talked—it was so hard to be prosaic and sensible and think of going to bed when this was our last night. It seemed that we must cling to it as long as we possibly could. So we sat and talked and laughed—and refused to think more than for a moment now and then that this was almost the end. * * * * It *shall* be the end for you, Little Green Notebook. The sunset, and the afterglow, and the fire-light were too perfect to be marred by details of packing and departure and all, so for you at least, Little Book, the glorious week ends here.

Marion E. Ryan, Theta, '06.

EVERY DAY COUNCIL

SORORITY REPUTATION

Agitations against the alleged evils of sororities are constantly occurring and we, to whom sorority means all that is best and noblest of life, give them little attention. Perhaps we make the passing remark that the agitators do not really know what sorority means. Their logic seems as fallacious as that of the small boy who declared he did not like jello, when he had never tasted it. Charles Dudley Warner's words, when asked to write a defense of his fraternity, probably best express the feelings of the sorority girl when a question of this kind is brought up. "Defend my fraternity! I could as soon think of defending the sunlight and I cannot get myself into the proper mood to do either."

So it is with all of us, and yet would we think this way if we were looking at the sorority from the point of view of even the disinterested observer? It would seem that the college world if none other, should be a world free from selfishness. But the sorority girl because of her added influence, if she is not careful and thoughtful indeed, is going to appear selfish. The outsider sees only a group of gay, thoughtless girls. He gets no glimpse of the high ideals of their hearts.

Our sorority ideals are not so secret that we should avoid revealing them in our character and actions. Let us strive individually and collectively to make our lives such that each member shall be characterized in her own college world as the upholder of those high principles to which we have sworn our allegiance. Then perhaps, although not with the same love and reverence, yet heartily indeed will the outer world join with us in that beautiful toast written by Cora Stranahan Woodward: "I ask you to pledge with me that sweet influence which seasons the freshness of youth and freshens the sometimes staleness of later days; that embodiment of the ideals of girlhood which stands unabashed in the presence of womanhood;

that conservator of friendship which has planted stations from sea to sea, where the faithful may come like penitents to the stations of the cross, and be lightened of their burden of weariness, age, or maybe inexperience! The fraternity, God bless her. May earth yield her increase. May heaven receive her votaries. And may she so impress our spirits that when we meet in the pearly streets we may know one another without the aid of badge or color."

Mabel Heckler, Gamma.

CHAPTER INSPECTIONS

Next year is inspection year in our sorority and all the chapters will be visited. Sometimes we question, what does the inspector hope to learn in the short time she is with a chapter? In the first place, her visits must not be too short, and the best plan undoubtedly is to have the inspecting done by one person who can devote her entire time to the work, staying with each chapter as long as she is needed to give help and instruction. By experience and comparison she will learn much that will be of assistance to the different chapters. The inspector wishes to learn whether the chapter—as a unit and its members as individuals—is a credit to the sorority, and whether the sorority's ideals, custom and secret work are lived up to, understood and observed in both the spirit and the letter. When a chapter is established the essentials are carefully imparted but often important points are lost or not passed on accurately and the inspector will find much that needs improving. She learns these things by becoming acquainted with the girls of the chapter and learning of their intellectual and social standing by observation and inquiry. The inspector must witness an initiation ceremony in order to know the chapter's understanding of the ritualistic work, and attend several business meetings in order to encourage parliamentary procedure and see how definite and businesslike the chapter is. The progress of the institution wherein the chapter has its home and the place of the girls in social service work are other points of great interest to the visitor.

The inspector can work to better advantage if she is asso-

ciated closely with the active girls during her visit; either in the chapter house when she visits a chapter that lives in a house; or in the girls' hall or dormitory when at schools where chapter houses are not possible. Often the girls think that the house of an active or alumna member is a better place wherein to entertain the visitor, but the inspector is really placed at a disadvantage here. She is more free to come and go and carry on her work of observation and assistance if quartered in the chapter house or hall, near the college, than in the most luxurious private house. The girls should spend as much time with the visitor as possible for it is acquaintance she desires,—that acquaintance which leads to true sympathy and understanding,—rather than elaborate social attentions. Opportunity to meet the girls of other sororities in their chapter houses is appreciated by the visitor. Perhaps the writer has dealt more with the duty of the chapter than that of the inspector, but the responsibility is equal. It would be acceptable to read in the next number of the journal what some sister thinks is the duty of the inspector.

Alpha.

A CHEERING WORD TO THE WORKER

In a service of love only can we show the spirit of true living. Not to serve because one cannot do much is to quench the spirit of brotherhood in one's own heart.

No, it is the many littles that make the big, and altho the effort may not be seen or appreciated, every deed tho small will make history for our dear Alpha Xi Delta,—and the influence of the service will go toward the bettering of womanhood.

Even tho your effort may fail to accomplish what you had dreamed it might, yet the motive is what counts. The willing spirit within you gives quality to service. If you have failed to realize your ideal, don't become discouraged but remember that truest success can be attained through consecrated determination.

One thing that every Alpha girl can do is to be thoughtful and earnest in everything she does for the sorority, so that she

may not by her thoughtlessness hinder the progress of those who are giving the best service to Alpha Xi Delta.

May we everyone be loyal and ready to give a kind word of appreciation to those who show by their willing service that they are doing their best. For the greatest disappointment of all is to try and then feel that your efforts have been in vain, and that you were not equal to the task.

Then thru all, let us feel that not to give because one has only a little is to snuff out the light of one's own life. This quaint verse expresses my thought:

“They might not need me, yet they might—
I'll let my heart be just in sight.
A deed so small as mine, might be
Precisely their necessity.”

Beulah G. Kirlin, Alliance Alumnæ.

THE ATTITUDE OF THE ALUMNA

What should be the attitude of an alumna toward the chapter she has left, and her active sisters? Each commencement brings this question before us. And if we stop to think, for just a moment, the answer from all will be the same. Of course we find many new duties and responsibilities awaiting for us upon our graduation from college. But surely all of us can spare some time for our “frat.” We think more of it than as a convenience during our college days, to be put aside with them.

Too many of us are apt to feel that we have done our duty and now ought to be allowed to rest on our laurels while the active members do all the work. But isn't that rather selfish? The college girls are younger, they have much to learn and we can help them in many ways. If they are assured of the support of the alumnæ, if they can feel that we will come to their aid, they will have courage for anything. Without this help and support our chapter can't be what we would have it. Let us all make new resolutions for this coming college year, girls, to help our chapter in every way that we can, and to overlook any little differences which may come up, for after all, we all desire the advancement of Alpha Xi Delta.

Elsie K. Waddingham, '07, Nu.

EDITORIALS

The present ALPHA XI DELTA is our first midsummer number. The sorority has long felt the want of such an issue, and we trust that the need will in some degree be met by this number. We are happy to present in it to our readers pictures of all our active chapters.

All too often, a fraternity editor is unable to obtain a complete collection of chapter photographs, and we are not a little proud that the response to the request made to our chapters for pictures was unanimous.



To our graduates of 1908, we extend heartiest congratulations and earnest good wishes that the ideals gained in their college and fraternity life may never be lost from sight.



We wish to correct a mistake which appears in the May "Desmos." Contrary to what is there stated, Alpha Xi Delta has founded no chapters at the University of Nebraska. We note with pleasure that the editor of "Desmos" agrees with us in approving the use of the term "Sorority."



We extend greeting to our prospective sisters at the State University of Kentucky. Their excellent petition elicited much favorable comment in addition to the more significant favorable votes. That these votes were received too late for installation to take place during the last college year is a matter of regret, but early in the fall Alpha Xi Delta will extend to "Xi" chapter a welcome the more hearty for its delay. The November JOURNAL will bring formal announcement of the founding of the new chapter, and additional points of interest about the activities, history and surroundings of Psi local, soon to be our baby chapter.

It may not be amiss to state that Alpha Xi Delta is the first of the members of the Inter-Sorority Conference to grant a charter at the State University at Lexington. Because of recent changes of name, much confusion has arisen relative to the "State University of Kentucky" and "Transylvania College,"—the latter of which has long been known as "Kentucky University," and is located in the same city as the "State University." Delta Delta Delta's newly founded chapter in Lexington is at Transylvania, and not at the State University as might be inferred from some accounts that have come under our notice.



The convention of Alpha Xi Delta last fall expressed its approval of the plan to form a Pan-Hellenic Fraternity Library Collection by appointing one of its members to collect and forward to the New York Public Library, where the collection is to be kept, as full a line as possible of our Sorority publication. The representative, so appointed, has obtained a complete file of the ALPHA XI DELTA, and is pleased to announce that it has been placed in the library at New York.



The lack of information among the active members of our chapters was a surprising and deplorable fact revealed by the last sorority examination. Without doubt, the younger girls,—to whose experience and carelessness the low grades of most chapters are in large measure due,—have already been advised times almost without number to study the hand book, etc., etc., before the next examination. Instead of these somewhat trite admonitions, we wish to suggest to the older girls, and to the chapter officers especially, a policy which we believe would lend interest to the study of the somewhat tedious data required for the examination, and would at the same time be conducive to better informed sorority women. Our suggestion is that each chapter, at the opening of college, outline and plan a study of topics related to the sorority,—topics which may or may not be required for the examination,—these to be taken up regularly

in the chapter meetings of the year. Methods of procedure will have to be devised by each chapter to suit local conditions. Perhaps some alumna or responsive active girl can plan and superintend the work, or perhaps a committee will be found more efficient. (Whatever plan of supervision is adopted, abundant material for study is at hand. Beside the well known authorities upon historical facts relating to all fraternities, the *Journal* publishes numerous articles which each active chapter could study with much profit. For example, Mrs. Lieb's excellent discussion of the Inter-Sorority Conference, which appeared in our last number, gives all the necessary information concerning that important development in the Greek world, and furnishes the essential facts in a convenient form for chapter study. Just what the exact method of study is to be, we cannot say. Perhaps your chapter will find it easier to be "catechetical,"—having for study a prepared series of questions and answers. Whether or not this be your chosen method, just as soon as college opens begin a chapter to study your own sorority and the larger Greek world of which you are a part.

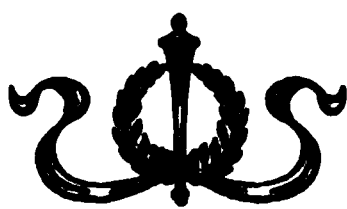
Perhaps this plan smacks too much of the class room, but we believe that more seriousness and more thoughtfulness and effort ought to be put into the regular chapter meetings. It is to be feared that far too many chapters,—and not alone those of Alpha Xi Delta,—are too informal and altogether too social in what ought to be their formal coming together. These meetings have in them possibilities which most of the members do not appreciate. They ought to make for character, intelligence, culture and business ability in all our active girls. How can they be made to do so? In many ways. Just at present the fraternity question is much alive, and is discussed by publications of all sorts. It would open wide the ears of many a girl to hear read in chapter meeting a strong article adverse to the fraternity system. Try it in your chapter. It will make your girls realize how they are being criticized, and we doubt not in many cases it will wake them up to discuss and eliminate the objectionable things in the chapter. To cite a concrete example of the possibilities of the chapter meeting a chapter of a well-

known society obtained for a nominal sum the help of a prominent clubwoman in studying Parliamentary Law. She gave a short series of lectures on the subject, and conducted a number of drills and exercises in Parliamentary procedure. Such a plan deserves to be followed by every one of our chapters.

Alpha Xi Deltas, do make your meetings count for something of positive benefit.



We congratulate most heartily those chapters which are in any way represented at the summer gatherings of the Young Woman's Christian Associations or the Missionary Conferences. At least one chapter of Alpha Xi Delta delegated and paid the expenses of one of its members to such a convention. The missionary spirit of the present day is a world wide movement, and one in which we are proud to have our sisters individually, or collectively interested.



EXCHANGES

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We gratefully acknowledge the following publications, calling attention to a few of the many interesting and instructive articles:

The Garnet and White, Alpha Chi Rho:

March—Convention number.

May—Installation of Phi Theta of Alpha Chi Rho at Cornell.

Beta Theta Pi:

April—From an editorial.

“Inspection, more frequent, more thorough, more efficient and better controlled is the watchword of our present administration. It costs money and time and plenty of both but both must be spent for it. What is the aim of this fraternity? To form chapters of congenial, able, young men. To teach them the value of mutual helpfulness but also of self reliance; to develop in them strong characters. To let them learn the value of team work; the subordination of the selfishness of the individual to the common good. To make them honest, square, upright and fraternal. These things do not spontaneously develop. Ideals must be taught, traditions must be transmitted. Pride of fraternity must be inculcated. Reasons must be given for its existence. The experience of one generation in a chapter must be utilized for the advancement of the next. The value of the fraternity as a whole must be learned and appreciated. Inspection, examination, instruction and exhortation are the remedies for many undesirable present day conditions. We must even sacrifice something else if necessary to secure them. But cost what may we must have them.”

June.

The Shield of Phi Kappa Phi:

April.

June—“The Growth of Syracuse University.”

The new buildings for this year include the Lyman hall of Natural History, costing \$250,000; the L. C. Smith machinery hall, \$150,000; Sims hall or men's dormitory, \$150,000; Bowne hall of Chemistry, \$150,000; the Library, \$150,000; gymnasium, \$250,000, and the stadium costing over \$500,000.

The great stadium, which completes the list of new buildings, has been so well described in recent articles that it is hardly necessary to add any details. Still it is not generally known that our splendid stadium when used to its capacity with the necessary temporary seats added will hold 30,000 people, and that its normal capacity of 20,000 is greater than that of the Harvard stadium. The latter is the only other structure of its kind on this continent. But the Syracuse stadium again surpasses the Harvard in that the former has a natural background for two-thirds of its circumference. Whereas the harvard stadium is built up square from the ground at all points. The Syracuse stadium has cost over \$500,000, and is to be used for games and meets only, practice by the teams being held elsewhere. The stadium and "gym" are connected by a concrete subway and all athletes must go through this to get on to the field. The stadium will be dedicated next year, probably at the Michigan game in November.

The Mask of Kappa Psi:
April.

The Scroll of Phi Delta Theta:

April—"In What Ways can Phi Delta Theta make Further Advancement?" "Kipling to College Men."—(*Ladies' Home Journal.*)
June.

The Lyric of Alpha Chi Omega:
April—Editorial.

Let us establish libraries! What kind of libraries? Chapter libraries! Think of the pleasure and importance of it! The idea once formulated will surprise you in its rapid development. With a Lyre file, Baird's Manual, The Sorority Hand Book, your chapter books, a chapter scrap book and kodak book (chapter libraries are in a privileged class), you already have a nucleus, around which chapter birthdays, Christmasses, and loving alumnæ will soon build a library which will inspire pride.

No matter what books find their way into this collection, we feel confident that no two will be more popular than the Chapter History and the Kodak book. What help the former will be to the future chapters. What enthusiasm it will engender! While the latter will hold almost as sacred a place in the hearts of all as the old-fashioned family album. It will imbue personality into names which no amount of written description can approach; and think of the pleasure "old girls" will derive when, on a visit to a chapter, they can pour over this album, which with quick transition carries them back to their college days, overwhelming them with its rush of memories! How simple the task of maintaining these books! A committee appointed to keep a memoranda of the chapter life, with its problems and their solution, its attainments, its scholarship, its entertainments, attrac-

tive innovations or special features in the initiation and so on to the complete portrayal of chapter life, will find the slight labor involved will be a labor of love, and this and the kodak book, which should be in charge of all the girls, would, we predict, become the two best loved books of the chapter.

The Phi Gamma Delta :

April—"In the Hall of Fame." An interesting article about Zebulon Baird Vance, a soldier-statesman of the South.

May—The Founders and their Graves, II.

The Phi Chi Quarterly :

April—An Account of the 12th Annual Convention at Baltimore.

The Arrow of Phi Beta Phi :

April.

The Delta Chi Quarterly :

May—Convention number.

"Is the Austrian Empire about to Crumble?"

The Delta of Sigma Nu :

May—Installation of Sigma Nu's 59th living chapter, Delta Gamma, at Columbia University, New York City.

The American College Fraternity—Has it a Larger Field of Service? James Walter Sears. The following is a clipping from this helpful article :

THE GOSPEL OF FRATERNITY.

The foundation in this country of the first Greek letter societies was in response to a natural desire in the college youth for a congenial and fraternal fellowship. This was indeed the creative impulse in all of them, beginning with Kappa Alpha in 1825 and ending with the last foundation, whether it be local, national or professional. These organizations were a type of social effort which had always found expression in one form or another in the under-graduate life of all college communities. That it found utterance in our American colleges early in the Nineteenth Century was due largely to the fact that the common human longing for companionship was at this time deeply informed and inspired by the spirit of the age, which above all else set great store by three glorious Gospels—the Gospel of Christ, the Gospel of Democracy and the Gospel of Fraternity. It was a glowing and burning Renaissance of all three, and one of them could not be well preached or practiced without the other. At the center of Democracy was Christ; at the center of Christ was Love, and at the center of Humanity was the man, the friend, the companion, the comrade, the Lover!

The young men who founded the first College Fraternities must have felt the power of this new Gospel. I do not mean to say that

they were unmindful of the purely spiritual and educational influences which surrounded them. They felt the force of their environment with its ideals of culture and moral uprightness and embodied them in the faith and doctrines of their brotherhoods. And yet at the center of all of them was the vital spirit of fraternal Love—the Love of one man for another, the longing in one man's heart for the devotion of another. This, I repeat, was the controlling and dominating thought, motive, impulse and purpose at the foundation of these societies. To understand this fact is to find for them not only a rational explanation of their origin, but also a sound defense of their progress. It is to understand their amazing growth and extension. There are to-day not less than thirty-one of national collegiate rank, besides some sixty-seven others of a special or honorary character, with a total of seventeen hundred chapters and more than 250,000 members.

The Alpha Phi Quarterly:

May—The Round Table.

WHAT THETA DOES FOR HER FRESHMEN.

At the first of the year Theta tries to put her freshmen in touch with the University life as a whole. The Women's League parties and the Freshmen spread which are attended by all the college girls give them a chance to meet those outside of our own circle. We consider it of the utmost importance that our freshmen should not confine their interests to the fraternity alone, but should look at college life from more than one view-point.

After initiation each freshman chooses one senior to whom she may go for advice. That senior then considers her freshman her particular charge, and looks out for her welfare. Until this year the seniors have consulted the faculty about the work of the freshmen, but since we have adopted Iota's idea of a scholarship cup, all reports of their work come directly through the dean. This plan of a senior advisor for each freshman has proved very successful and we have found that although the relation is individual and personal, it rather strengthens than detracts from the unity of the whole.

The Delta Sigma Delta:

May.

Kappa Alpha Theta:

May—“A Scholarship Rally.” This is a practical suggestion. Iota Alumnæ, instead of having a formal Founders' Day banquet, found that they could have just as good a time at an informal meeting and save the banquet tax to increase a scholarship fund. This fund is for Kappa Alpha Theta Alumnæ to be used for European study. Why not all be practical and save some useless taxes for scholarship purposes?

Themis of Zeta Tau Alpha :

May.

The Record of Sigma Alpha Epsilon :

May.

The Trident of Delta Delta Delta :

June—"From Foreign Lands." This is a collection of interesting experiences told by Tri Delta across the sea.

Desmos of Delta Sigma Delta :

May.

The Crescent of Gamma Phi Beta :

June.

The Adelphean of Alpha Delta Phi :

June.

The Eleusis of Chi Omega :

May.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Grand Council of Kappa Alpha Theta announces the establishment of Alpha Lambda Chapter at Washington State University, Seattle, Washington, on Thursday, May 21st, 1908.

Delta Delta Delta announces the establishment of Alpha Upsilon Chapter at Colby College, Waterville, Maine, Thursday, May 14th, 1908.



CHAPTER LETTERS

ALPHA

Dear Sisters :

Alpha sends her best wishes for a happy, restful vacation.

Miss Mima Hughes was initiated into Alpha chapter on the afternoon of April 16, at the chapter room. Afterwards a pleasant little supper was enjoyed at Mrs. Dudley's. Mrs. Bertha Cook-Evans was present at the Initiation.

April 24th the Alpha girls gave their annual reception and dance at the Lombard Gymnasium. Only three or four old members were able to be present, Alleen Thompson, Frances Richey, and Bessie Williamson.

Alpha Chapter introduces with pleasure her new patroness, Mrs. Dyke Williams of Galesburg, Illinois.

The annual Love Feast and reunion of Alpha Chapter was held June 3. Those responding to roll call were: Alice Bartlett-Bruner, Leila Bailey, Maude Bruner, Bertha Cook-Evans, Sarah Cook-Lorton, Josephine Ericson, Mabel Hendel, Grace Cook, Maude Hoskinson-Smith, Mabel Irwin, Bertha Pittman, Nellie Provoost, Frances Richey, Mabel Sammons, Bessie Williamson, Alleen Thompson and Marion Wrigley.

We were delightfully entertained at the home of Miss Williamson and enjoyed a good Frat. meeting. Dainty refreshments were served late in the afternoon. We hope that next year more of our Alumnæ will be able to respond to the invitation.

Mabel Hendel.

BETA

My Dear Alpha Sisters:

We are, of course, glad that school is out and commencement gayeties are all over, for we enjoy spending the summer months at our homes. Yet we parted with regret, for well we knew that the same chapter girls would never be together again. We have had a very happy year and our prospects for next year are most encouraging. We sincerely hope that our sister chapters will be as fortunate in having as large a number of old girls in their chapters next Fall.

Beta chapter was glad to welcome the many sisters who returned for the commencement season. A "morning banquet" was given in their honor down the notorious "K" line. A several course menu was served and a most enjoyable time had. About forty Alphas were present.

The '08 Class gave "The Rivals" for their Class Day exercises. It was presented in a very commendable manner and we were justly proud of

Mildred Brady who took the part of Lydia Lanquish, and of Helen Coe who most aptly portrayed the character of Mrs. Malaprop.

The Beta Theta Pi's most delightfully entertained their lady friends at an outing party on the Mississippi during commencement. Twelve Alpha girls were present and a fine time is reported.

Mrs. Galer, one of our patronesses, entertained the chapter and gentlemen friends at an informal party recently.

Dr. Schell of La Porte, Ind., has been elected president of Iowa Wesleyan to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Dr. John W. Hancher. Dr. Schell is a strong man in every way and Wesleyan has been very fortunate in securing him. He was present during commencement and gave an excellent chapel talk at the last chapel exercises.

A new literary club called the "The Scribblers" has been organized by the English department of Wesleyan. It is based on literary ability and general scholarship and has promoted a great deal of interest. Five of the Alpha girls are charter members. It's membership is limited to twenty.

Beta Chapter wishes to thank Theta Chapter through the pages of the journal for her kind invitation to attend the camping party. We are sure that every minute of the time would have been very enjoyable and we deeply regret that it was impossible for any of us to attend. However, we greatly appreciate the sisterly spirit shown in the formation of such a plan and know that the chapter sisters who attended will have glowing accounts to give of the hospitality of Theta.

Beta Chapter sends best wishes for a happy summer time.

Yours in Alpha Xi Delta,

Mabel L. Duncan, Cor.-Sec.

GAMMA

Dear Sisters:

It is with a shade of sadness that this letter is written, for our school year has closed and with it have gone four of Gamma's best girls: Lucille Strong, our only Senior this year, who has guided and helped us in so many ways, Nancy Copeland and Wilda Matthias, who graduated from the Normal department and who expect to teach next year, and Ruby Robins, who will also teach.

On Saturday evening, May 30th, the girls gave their Spring term party at the home of Marie Riker. The porch and lawn were beautifully decorated with Alpha Xi Delta colors and Japanese lanterns and presented a fine appearance. One of the features of the evening was a mock wedding in which all took part and which was made very amusing by the cleverness of the young minister who officiated, in reading the wedding ceremony.

On Monday, June 8th, all of the active girls and several of the alumnae spent the evening with Mary and Olive Bracher. Several of the girls took their song books, and a part of the evening was spent in learning some of the new songs.

Tuesday, June 16th, Gamma celebrated reunion day at the chapter house. A large number of the old girls were back, about fifty being present. After dinner, letters were read from the girls who were unable to be present, and May Salmon Myers announced the engagement of Blanche Wadsworth to Arthur Morris and that of Laura Atkins to Sumner Oesch. Pink roses were received from the fraternities. In the afternoon, pictures were taken of the group.

Gamma sends greetings to her sister chapters and wishes for each member a happy and delightful vacation.

Olive Bracher.

DELTA

Dear Sisters:

September of 1907 saw eight old girls back ready and eager to work for Delta of Alpha Xi Delta. But there were obstacles. In the first place, all but two of us were one year girls—just taken in the year before—and we felt very weak and helpless. Sorority business loomed large and formidable before us, and we did not know where or how to begin. And then there was a wonderful scarcity of eligible girls. We had one pledged from the preceding year, and presently had the good fortune to secure three new pledges. Our friends of the Delta Tau Alpha Sorority were worse off than we were. They had but two old girls back, and for a long time, until after the holidays in fact, it looked as if their chapter must die. Their weakened condition took away the excitement and stimulus usually attendant upon the rushing season, and the work of Alpha Xi Delta moved slowly. In the spring term we acquired two new members, which swelled our ranks to fourteen.

During the year we are allowed two social affairs, an informal and a banquet. The informal this year was an open house through the afternoon of Washington's Birthday, and a college spread for our particular friends in the evening. The banquet occurred Tuesday, June 9th. A number of the alumnae were back, and the affair went very well. We lost only one girl in the outgoing class, Catherine Fetty. She was graduated with honors, being chosen one of the eight Commencement Day speakers.

Next year we hope to make a banner year for Alpha Xi Delta. The officers have begun to realize the importance of the Sorority, and we expect to revive the old-time spirit of our founders.

Wishing you all the pleasantest of vacations, I am, sincerely yours in Alpha Xi Delta.

Sarah Anna Smith.

EPSILON

Dear Sisters:

The breaking up at the end of the school year began early for the Epsilon girls, when Helen Hill left May 31st to begin claim life near Philip, S. D. The night before her departure the Epsilon girls gave a party for Miss Hill at the home of Lucile Camerer. Dainty refreshments were served and be-

fore the girls separated, Margaret Miller, in behalf of the girls, presented Miss Hill with two pennants, one a U. S. D., and the other an Alpha Xi Delta.

Commencement took away three seniors, Lilla and Helen Tarbell, and Margaret Miller; one post graduate student, Grace Sanborn, and Bertha Small, who expects to attend the University of North Dakota next year.

Epsilon announces, by special permission of the Grand President, the pledging of Miss Ethel Sanborn, who took her M. A. degree at U. S. D. last June. Miss Sanborn will be initiated at Lake Kampeska, this summer, where a crowd of Alpha girls are planning to camp.

On Wednesday, May 27th, Miss Frances Marquis, an Alpha Xi Delta pledge, rendered Percy MacKay's classical play, "Jeanne D'Arc." Miss Marquis entered heartily into the personality of each character, and being easy and self-possessed in appearance made a charming picture while she was rendering the play.

At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Richardson, on Tuesday, April 21st, occurred the marriage of their daughter Ethel to Mr. Elmer Stillwell of Los Angeles, Cal. At the appointed hour, 8 A. M. to the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march, the bride and groom, preceded by Rev. C. F. Thoms and the little ring bearer, ascended the broad staircase and marched to the bay window in the north parlor, where the beautiful and impressive ceremony was performed. Congratulations followed, after which a delicious wedding breakfast was served by six of the Alpha Xi Delta girls. Mrs. Stillwell is a graduate of the U. S. D. and a charter member of Epsilon Chapter of Alpha Xi Delta Sorority. Mr. Stillwell is also an alumnus of U. S. D. and a charter member of the Beta Gamma Society. Two very enjoyable showers were given by the Epsilon girls in honor of Miss Richardson. The first of these showers was given by Mrs. Oliver E. Sweet at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grange, on April 1st, and the second on April 9th, at the home of the Misses Margaret and Helen Miller.

Miss Helen Frazee '09 was awarded the gold medal, annually presented by the Dean to the music student whose proficiency and consistency in performance averages the highest for the year. The medal is a musical design, and beautifully inscribed with the name of the recipient. Miss Deborah Slocum, '09, won the medal, last year, and Epsilon is indeed proud of the "Musical" Alpha Xi Deltas.

Mrs. Allen B. McDaniel and Mrs. Lewis E. Akeley, two of Epsilon's patronesses, entertained the girls most delightfully at a lawn party at the home of Mrs. Akeley on June 8th. The hours slipped by, only too soon, pleasantly spent, as they were in conversation and with fancy work. At the close of the afternoon's fun dainty refreshments were served and the girls left voting Mrs. McDaniel and Mrs. Akeley royal hostesses and ideal patronesses.

On the evening of June 8th, Mabelle Eastman was initiated into the mysteries of Alpha Xi Delta at the home of the Misses Lois and Mary Nich-

als. Our regular initiation spread followed at which several of the alumnæ girls were present.

Mrs. George W. Grange, one of the Epsilon's patronesses entertained all the chapter girls for the alumnæ members, at breakfast on June 10th. A sumptuous four-course repast was served and a glad re-union enjoyed by all those present. At the close of the morning's fun, Helen Tarbell presented Bertha Small with a beautiful U. S. D. pennant, in behalf of Epsilon Chapter. Mrs. Grange entertains the Alpha Xi Deltas each year, just before the University closes, and her alumnæ breakfast is the brightest spot in Commencement Week for the Epsilon girls.

Mary Nichols.

ZETA

Dear Sisters :

This year Wittenberg celebrated her 58th Commencement.

Sunday evening the Baccalaureate address was delivered at the First Lutheran Church by Rev. F. G. Gotwald, D. D., of Pittsburg, Pa.

Monday evening the Academy Commencement was held in the college chapel. Tuesday, on the campus, the Ivy oration, burning of minutes and last council were held. This was followed by the Commencement of the Conservatory of Music in the chapel.

On Wednesday morning at 9 A. M., were held the class day exercises on the campus. Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock was held the dedication of the Carnegie Science Hall. The address being delivered by Dr. E. F. Smith, Vice-Provost of the University of Pennsylvania. From 8 to 10 Wednesday evening President Heckert and his wife held a reception at Ferncliff Hall for faculty, students, and friends of the college.

Thursday morning at 9, the regular Commencement exercises took place on the campus, after which the diplomas were presented. At 12.00 the alumnæ dinner was given in the college gymnasium.

Wednesday afternoon of Commencement Week our patroness, Mrs. John L. Zimmerman, delightfully entertained at the Country Club our active chapter and alumnæ and the members of B Θ N fraternity, of which her son is a member. After dinner the evening was spent in dancing and singing sorority and fraternity songs.

Thursday we entertained in honor of our patronesses and alumnæ girls with a six o'clock dinner at the Arcade Hotel.

Hazel Wright, Zeta.

ETA

Dear Alpha Sisters :

Although we are very much scattered yet we feel closely bound together by the strong ties of friendship. The days of farewell are the hardest. Eta sends four graduates out into the world yet they will help and encourage us wherever they are.

Commencement at Syracuse, this June, was very impressive and unique.

All the exercises were held in our new Stadium. A temporary platform, with a canvass covering, was erected in front of the grandstand for the faculty and speakers. This was necessary because there was no building on the campus of adequate size. The plan proved so successful that it will no doubt become a permanent custom.

The Baccalaureate sermon was delivered by Bishop W. F. Oldham of India. He gave a very fine talk and left many good thoughts with those who heard him.

Hamilton Wright Mabie of New York, gave the address on Commencement Day.

At all the exercises, the class made an imposing appearance as they came in by the low ground entrance to the Stadium and marched around the track. The numbers were greater this year than ever before, reaching four hundred and fifty.

Alpha Xi Delta's four graduates were Belle Chadbourne, Eva Elliott, Elaine Putnam and Margaret Hoard. The chapter is proud that two of them,—Misses Putnam and Elliott,—received honors.

Our chapter will be represented at the Y. W. C. A. Conference at Silver Bay, on Lake George. Helen Chase, '09, was chosen as our delegate.

Since our last letter we have initiated, and are proud to introduce to you, a new sister, Anna Roth, '09.

Just now Syracuse is rejoicing over the recent victories of her crews at Poughkeepsie. Syracuse won first place in the four-oared race, second in the freshman race, and then,—over Columbia, Cornell, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin,—won first place in the 'Varsity eight-oared race. We are looking forward to a great celebration in honor of the crews when college opens in the fall.

Margaret Hoard.

THETA

Dear Alpha Xi Delta Sisters :

Another school year is over and most of the girls have gone home. Theta Chapter has had a glorious and prosperous year.

This year ended our interscholastic rushing privileges, and Theta was determined to make the most possible of the last opportunity. The regular date for the interscholastic meet this year was June 6th, and the fraternities rushed at that time. The sororities, however, considered that date too close to examinations, so decided to rush from May 29 to 31, inclusive. We commenced our rushing at this time with a fudge party at the lodge on Friday evening. We had about eight guests, besides some of our alumnae members who were present. Saturday morning we had a driving party, in order to show our rushees the beauties of our alma mater and Madison. As usual it tried to rain, as it always does on May 30th, but we braved the weather and went launching in the afternoon. Although it rained for a short time, the lake remained quiet and the cabin kept us dry. We came home about five

o'clock to dress for dinner and rest for a time. Then in the evening we had a dancing party at the lodge, and of course closed our rushing with the varsity toast and the Alpha Xi Delta yell.

We pledged Sophia Marquardt, of LaCrosse; Levra Vail, of Benton; and Agnes Davis, of Madison; and since then we have pledged Molly Wright, also of Madison.

A great many of our girls, both undergraduates and alumnæ, were in Madison for Commencement.

James Bryce, the noted English historian and diplomat, delivered the Baccalaureate address in the University Armory.

Monday was Class Day and was taken up in the morning by the Ivy exercises, and in the afternoon by the regular Class Day exercises.

Monday evening the Seniors presented "The Mikado," and it was considered the best student production given in many years. Louise Erb sang Katisha's part and performed it splendidly. There were about sixty in the chorus.

After the play every one went to the lower campus to watch the pipe of peace ceremony.

Tuesday was Alumni Day as we were blissfully lazy.

Wednesday was Commencement Day and three of our girls received diplomas—Louise Erb, of Appleton; Winefrid Ryan, of Wausaw; and Florence Ann Simon, of LaCrosse. In the evening the alumnæ entertained at a concert and ball. The music was furnished by Bach's orchestra from Milwaukee.

Thursday we went into camp across Lake Monona and spent a happy week. Our only regret was that more of our sisters from other chapters were unable to be present. Miss Alice Brenne of Epsilon Chapter was our only guest from other chapters. Of our alumnæ, Nellie Angell, '07, Georgie Chave, '07, Elizabeth Erb, '07, Ruth Ekern, '07, Bess Adams, '06, Alma Runge, '06, Marion Ryan, '06, Lula Runge, '05, Gusta Lorch, '05, Charlotte Stough, ex-'09, Ruth Strong, ex-'09, Polly Fenton, '06, Theo Fenton, ex-'09, Jessie Mabbitt, ex-'08, and Gretta Flower, ex-'09, were in camp with us. The active members and others in camp were Edith Schuster, '11, Florence Simon, '08, Louise Erb, '08, Molly Wright, '11, (pledge), Mrs. Cooke, our chaperone, Ida Fenton, '09, and Frances Albers, '09.

Mrs. M. Simon of LaCrosse, who has been at the Lodge during Commencement, camped with us for three days.

Frances Albers.

IOTA

Dear Sisters:

Iota celebrated Founders' Day in an informal way this year. The girls met at Crystal Courtney's on North Front street. After a pleasant hour spent in singing and chatting they adjourned to the long table in the dining-room. Here a generous "spread" was served, after which an historical account of Alpha Chapter was read by Drusilla Johnson-Quick and the girls discussed the early days of the sorority.

The chapter is proud of its new “pledge,” Mrs. Leonard’s little son, who was born on April 30, and is a worthy Alpha Xi Delta boy. The girls sent him a little note of welcome and later presented him with a gold locket suitably engraved.

Lillian Smith entertained her sorority sisters, several Commencement visitors, and a number of young men at a lawn party June 17. Croquet, tennis, and other out-door games under the Japanese lanterns on the lawn made the evening a very pleasant one.

Mrs. Helen Smith entertained the chapter informally at her home in South Park recently.

Several of the girls made a flying visit to Bessie Sadler at Point Marion, Pa., during Commencement week.

Iota’s first annual banquet was held Monday evening, June 15. Some time before Commencement the Iota alumnæ received cards bearing a pen-and-ink sketch of a “sweet girl graduate” and the following invitation :

FIRST ANNUAL BANQUET
IOTA CHAPTER
ALPHA XI DELTA
JUNE 15, 1908

The banquet was held at the home of Mrs. P. C. Atkeson, one of the patronesses. The decorations were in pink and white and sorority colors.

An effective lattice-work of pink crepe paper draped the doors in the big dining room. A huge latticed screen bore trailing vines of pink paper roses and the walls were hung with the chapter’s collection of pennants. Wreaths of pink roses festooned the chandelier and extended to each corner of the long table, in the center of which was a large bowl of roses.

The table was lighted by candelabra with pink candles in pink rose cups. Long bands of Alpha Xi Delta ribbon decorated the white cloth. The place cards were done in water color with a conventional pink rose design and tied with ribbons in double blue and gold.

After the sumptuous “spread” had been disposed of, the toast program was taken up, as follows:

ALPHA XI DELTA BAND WAGON

LEADER.....	MARY HANNAH COOPER
CORNET—“Hail the Conquering Hero,” (Seniors).....	CRYSTAL COURTNEY
CLARINET—“Old Lang Syne,” (Alumnæ).....	MABEL WEAVER
BAZOO—“The Guardian Angels,” (Patronesses).....	LILLIAN SMITH
RATTLE BOX—“Billy Wiggin,” (Alpha Xi Delta baby).....	ETHEL GREEN
FRENCH HORN—“Who is Sylvia?” (Iota girls).....	MRS. C. E. HOGG
FRENCH HARP—“In Days of Yore,” (The past).....	BESSIE SADLER
GRIND ORGAN—“Dreaming,” (The future).....	MRS. P. C. ATKESON
BASS DRUM—“Alpha Xi Delta March”.....	HELEN SMITH
TUBA—“School Days,”.....	MARY CHADWICK
TIN WHISTLE—“ARKANSAS TRAVELLER,” (Vacation).....	MARY ATKESON

The favors, ribbon-tied toy instruments, were used for the music, and the leader waved a pink, rose-tipped baton in the most approved manner. At the beginning of the program and at intervals between the toasts a "full band" selection was given, which was much enjoyed and required the utmost efforts of the leader to bring it to a finish.

Each girl on the program rendered a more or less appropriate solo on a more or less appropriate instrument before beginning her toast. Needless to say the toast program was a hilarious affair, and effectually banished all sad thoughts of the annual parting.

Mary Meek Atkeson.

KAPPA

Dear Sisters :

Kappa sends her apologies for last quarter's neglect. Miss Abbott, our journal reporter, has been very ill for some time.

Nearly the whole chapter stayed at school for commencement. Miss Shannon, Miss Gentsch, Miss Thomas and Miss Spencer graduated the tenth of June. On the afternoon of the same day girls all attended the wedding of Miss Thomas to C. H. Mangold. The father of the bride entertained the sorority at the Beardsley for dinner after the wedding.

Kappa will be located in a new home next year and we are all "crazy" to get back and settled. We expect to have fifteen girls to begin the year.

Miss Willa Gentsch, an '07 Kappa girl, was elected to Phi Beta Kappa this year.

Miss Campbell will be assistant superintendent at Villa Grove next year. Grace Spencer will be in the Chicago School of Pharmacy.

Kappa wishes all of her Alpha Xi Delta sisters a pleasant and happy vacation.

Kappa Chapter of Alpha Xi Delta.

LAMBDA

Dear Sisters in Alpha Xi Delta :

Lambda sends her kindest wishes to each and every one of you.

On May 15th Lambda held her big dance of the year in Goddard gymnasium. Trophy Hall never appeared in a more gala attire. Strips of pink crêpe paper and evergreen prettily interwoven covered the walls. One feature more was the moon dance. All the lights were turned out, while at one end of the hall, a smiling crescent and seven twinkling stars appeared mysteriously through the evergreen. The daintily tinted gowns gliding around in the moonlight to the rhythm of soft music, make one feel as if the room were suddenly changed into fairy land. Our three patronesses—Mrs. McCoy, Mrs. Maulsby and Mrs. Dennison acted as matrons. We were glad to have with us Miss Tobin, a sister from Syracuse. The dance orders were of light blue lambskin, with the Alpha Xi Delta seal in gold, tied with dark blue cords.

The All Around Club gave a garden party on the roof of Metcalf Hall, the larger of the girls' dormitories. It was planned by Miss Myrtle Killpatrick. By the light of Japanese lanterns, we listened to graphophone, patronized a punch table, candy booth, grab-bag and fortune teller.

The All Around Club reception to the Seniors was as usual an enjoyable affair. After the reception, a dance was held.

Instead of holding our last three meetings at the "frat-rooms," we met at the homes of Beatryce McFarland, Audrey Duffey, and Annie McCoy. We had a merry time and were treated to dainty spreads.

We held an initiation of two of our alumnae at the delightful home of Mrs. Mansfield, in Wakefield. The initiates were Mrs. Bertha Comstock-Toy, of California, and Mrs. Richardson, of Somerville, Mass.

We are delighted to introduce Miss Myrtle Mevis Killpatrick, '09, our new sister. She is a member that the Alpha Xi's may well be proud of.

This year the All Around Club elected Ethel Aiken, '09, as president, and Myrtle Killpatrick as chairman of the social committee.

This year Tufts was presented with a new bell by the class of '98. It was dedicated on June 11th, and the very unusual and impressive service will never be forgotten by those who attended.

After "exams," came Class-Day. In the morning exercises were held in the chapel. The Class Ode was sung, the words of which were written by Amy Viola Richards, and the music by Miriam Stanley Carlton. The ode was very well written, and the music was original, and possessed pleasing qualities. In the afternoon the tree-exercises were followed by a ball game between Louisiana and Tufts. The latter won of course! Then the fraternities and sororities held their spreads. We were fortunate in being able to hold ours in Metcalf Hall, which was prettily decorated with pink roses and crêpe paper.

In the evening the campus was lighted with myriads of Japanese lanterns, which with the gay bunting, and nature's own inevitable splendor made our campus the "one spot on earth" for that wonderful evening. Several selections were given by the Tufts Glee Club, and there was a dance in the "Gym" during the evening.

This year five of our girls received the degree of A. B.—Amy V. Richards, Ethel L. Fuller, Emily M. Cate, Miriam S. Carleton, and Beatryce McFarland. Miss Richards received honorable mention in English and received her degree "cum laude." This was the only "cum laude" bestowed on the women graduates. Miss Ethel L. Fuller received the '08 scholarship, awarded for the best general work and the widest course of study.

President Hamilton held a reception at his house for the Seniors. "Prexy" also addressed them in a splendid baccalaureate sermon.

The Senior Dance was the same good-bye party, where merriment tinged with the pathos of "the last" makes it the dance of dances to the Senior.

This year, as usual, we had our annual house party at Rockport. This

is a glorious spot, just full of pretty nooks, where nature does not hide her face behind tall buildings and factories.

We wish all the Alpha Xi's a most pleasant vacation.

Elsie May Chandler.

MU

Dear Sisters:

Commencement at Minnesota is over, and eight Mu girls are, as our Commencement orator said, about to enter the school of hard knocks, where truth and honesty are the teachers. The Commencement procession, consisting of the faculty and the five hundred and thirty graduates, was led by Mina Schaetzel and Mary Shiely.

Mu girls took an active part in all the affairs of the week. The Senior play which was an impossibility in three acts, called the "Thinkulodeon," had four Alpha girls in its cast,—Fannie Gardinier, Alice Melony, Mina Schaetzel and Mary Shiely.

Late Pledge Day has hardly proved a success this year. Almost everyone is disappointed with the results. Believing that the late Pledge Day deserves another trial, however, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Alpha Phi, Delta Gamma, Gamma Phi Beta, and Alpha Xi Delta, will try it another year. Pledge Day will be in April, and there will be no rules, understanding that there be no rushing whatever. Kappa Alpha Theta, Tri Delta and Pi Beta Phi did not enter into this compact and will again try the early Pledge Day.

Alpha Xi Delta was very fortunate in securing the freshmen she did, and Mu takes great pleasure in introducing to all the other chapters Leila McDermott, Mattie Olson, Ruth McNamee, Nellie Cadwell and Blanche Grand Maitre. These are all splendid girls and are a great addition in Mu.

Alpha Gamma Delta has granted a charter to a group of petitioners at Minnesota.

Founders' Day was celebrated by a formal banquet at Donaldson's Tea Rooms. Mary Shiely acted as toastmistress and Lucy White, Georgie Belle Elwell, Iris Wood (Kappa) and Mrs. Wood (Lambda) responded with appropriate toasts.

Some of the older Mu girls returned for Commencement and a most enjoyable picnic of active and alumnae members was held June 5th, at White Bear lake.

Mu hopes that all the chapters will have as pleasant a summer as she expects to have.

NU

Dear Sisters:

Nu Chapter has finished her first year of active life in Alpha Xi Delta, the girls have parted and gone their several ways to spend a pleasant summer and return in the Fall with new inspiration and ideas for the work next year. We have bright hopes for the future and are eagerly looking forward to next year as the happiest and most profitable year of our college life.

University life has been rather strenuous for the past months and we are glad of an opportunity for rest.

On the afternoon of April 29 we entertained with a card party in honor of our patronesses at the Chapter House. All our patronesses, who were in the city at the time, were present and we hope spent a very pleasant afternoon.

The annual musical festivity of the University for this past year was the production of Guonod's "Faust" on May 10th. Five of our girls assisted in the chorus; May Chambers, Lillian Esary, Dorothy Mason, Olive Mueller and Netta Kiddle.

Nu Chapter feels that she has done more than her duty in some lines. The most important of these is in getting her girls engaged or married. Lillian Esary surprised us a few weeks ago by announcing her engagement to Mr. Thomas Askren. Rosalia McNamara is to be married at her home in North Yakima on the 30th of June to Mr. John Lynch, and the wedding of Frances Sanborn to Mr. Richard Urlson will take place some time in August.

The presidency and vice-presidency of Pan-Hellenic falls to Alpha Xi Delta for the coming year. Mary A. Smith and Lila Parker, both '09, have been chosen to these respective offices.

It is the custom of the faculty of the University to choose each year those members of the Junior class who stand highest in scholarship to be what is called "Senior Scholars" during their last year in school. This entitles them to the privilege of non-attendance in the class room to enable them to do extra work and obtain the Master's Degree at the same time as their A. B. One of our girls, Adelaide Fischer, '09, has been elected a Senior scholar for the coming year.

On June 3 we initiated Dorothy Drake, '11, and Clarice Van Loon, '10, into Alpha Xi Delta. They are both lovely girls, and we are sure will be splendid workers next year.

As a last informal time together before parting for the summer, Ethel Latham entertained all the Alpha Xi Delta girls at her home, Alki Point, with a picnic June 6th. Everyone proclaimed it the best ever.

Alice Murchison, '09, entertained more formally for the "House girls" and their friends at her home in the city on the afternoon of Commencement Day, June 17th.

We had five graduates from the University this year: Mae McLachlan, who graduated with honors, May Chambers, Myrtle Parr, Mary Kay and Frances Sanborn. We are certainly sorry to have these girls join the ranks of the "has beens," but we feel sure that their associations with Alpha Xi Delta have been such that they will benefit them throughout their lives.

As a last social event of the year at the chapter house we thought it best to have a "Mothers' Party" at which the mothers of all the town girls and many of the out-of-town girls as well were present. We were indeed glad that Mrs. Kay, Mary Kay's mother, from Alliance, Ohio, could be

present with us at that time. We found this a very good way to get all the mothers of the sorority acquainted.

Nu sends greetings to all her Alpha sisters and wishes them a very happy summer.

Lela K. Parker, '09.

ALLIANCE ALUMNÆ

Mary Bracher has returned from a very pleasant trip to Boston and Cambridge, Mass.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Percy S. Bottomley (Genevieve Ruth) a son, Alfred Rufus, on June 4.

Katherine Keith is visiting friends in New York city.

Alliance Alumnæ's first double wedding will occur August 20, when Anna L. Jones, '05, and Lawrence E. Yaggie, Z A E, and Elsie Jones, '06, and Carl Stooksberry, Z A E, will be married at the home of their uncle, Mr. W. W. Webb.

Mary E. Kay has returned to her home after a year at the University of Washington at Seattle. She and her mother visited a number of western points enroute.

Mabel Bracher, Zeta, '06, has been visiting her cousins, Mary and Olive Bracher.

Eloise Patton-McKnight and little son visited her parents during Commencement week at Mt. Union College.

Laura Atkins, ex-'05, was married to Sumner L. Oesch, Z N, June 25.

Beulah Kirlin is enjoying an extensive trip up the lakes.

Mabel Taylor-Campbell, '01, of Salt Lake City, Utah, expects to spend several weeks in August visiting in Alliance. The girls will be very glad to welcome her again.

Alliance Alumnæ extends sincerest sympathy to Alice and Helen Hinshilwood whose mother, Mrs. T. J. Hinshilwood, died in April.

Gay Melbourne has been visiting friends in Pittsburg.

Etta Bates acted as bridesmaid at the wedding of a school friend in Scranton, Pa., in June. She also visited friends in Arlington, N. J., and Pittsburg, Pa., before returning home.

Mabel Hartzell has been visiting in Cincinnati for some time.

Blanche Wadsworth attended Western Reserve Law School Commencement.

Effie Allott attended a wedding at Pittsburg, Pa., and later went with a camping party to Turkeyfoot lake.

Mary Scott-McCoy has returned from Cleveland where she was attending her mother, who underwent an operation.

Mary Taylor.

BOSTON ALUMNÆ

Dear Alpha Xi Delta Sisters :

By the time this letter reaches you college will be closed, and all of you will be enjoying your summer vacation. Boston Alumnæ wishes each sister a very pleasant one.

We celebrated Founders' Day by a card party at the home of Laila Nye, '06, in Somerville. Lambda joined with us. It was a true celebration, for everyone seemed to be in her merriest mood.

In May we met with Daisy Bartlett. At this meeting we had the pleasure of welcoming back to the east Bertha Comstock-Toy, ex-'05. Five years ago, at the end of her college year, she married Mr. Harvey Toy, A T O, Tufts, '05, and left us to live in San Francisco. Every year since then we have been eagerly looking forward to her return, but that pleasure was denied us till now. She is our same jolly Bertha, and it did seem so good to see her once more. She brought her dear, little, two-year-old daughter Elizabeth to be introduced to us. She very quickly won all our hearts.

On June 6th, in Wakefield, at the home of Grace Carleton-Mansfield, '98, Bertha was initiated into Alpha Xi Delta. Helen Burkett-Richardson, '98, was initiated with her. Bertha will be here in the east until August, then she returns to San Francisco. We all hope it will not be so long again before she visits once more.

June 13th, the day after Tufts' Class Day, we had our annual meeting at Persis Hannah's home in Medford. Lambda met with us. Officers for the coming year were elected and the mite boxes were opened. We were pleased to welcome into Boston Alumnæ five Lambda sisters,—Ethel Fuller, Amy Richards, Emily Cate, Miriam Carleton and Beatrice McFarland. Refreshments were served on the lawn, and we had a very enjoyable afternoon.

Boston Alumnæ has a June bride this year. June 27th, in Adams, Mass., Betsey Barker Harmon, '04, was married to Mr. George Lowe, A T O, Tufts, '04. The wedding was private. Miss Ruth Tenney, a classmate, was a guest. Betsey will live in Somerville, very near the dear old Hill. We have missed her during this past year while she has been at home in Adams, and shall be glad to have again the active support she has always given us.

We do not meet during the summer months, but in September we shall begin our monthly meetings again.

Laila Campbell Nye.

PERSONALS

ALPHA

Miss Marion Wrigley and Miss Mabel Sammons spent commencement week at Lombard.

Miss Frances Richey, who has been teaching in the Cambridge High school, has accepted a position at Waterman hall, Sycamore, Illinois.

Miss Florence Kober sailed for Germany June 6. She will return in the fall to resume her duties in the Table Grove High school.

The wedding of Miss Florence Hollister to Mr. Earl Colby took place June 9. The young couple will reside at 730 North Church street, Rockford, Illinois.

Miss Margaret Barrett of Buda, Illinois, was the guest of Alpha chapter during commencement week.

Miss Florence Imes is attending the State Normal school at Macomb this summer.

Miss Carrie Stickney of Cambridge, Mass., writes that she expects to sail with a party of friends for Europe the latter part of June.

BETA

Ruth Anderson has accepted a position as science teacher in the Moulton High school for next year.

Elva Potts, who has been teaching this year, will enter Wesleyan again next September.

Helen Coe, '08, will teach in Muscatine next year.

Louise Singer-Maiken, '03, of Spokane, Wash., was a commencement visitor at Wesleyan.

Luella Hightshoe, '06, who has been principal of the High school at Sturgis, S. Dak., has returned to Mt. Pleasant for her summer vacation.

Geneva Smith, '05, and Myrtle Lauer, '07, were here for commencement in June.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Nell Downer to Mr. Bruce Miner, on June 25 at her home in Muscatine, Ia. Mr. Miner is general superintendent of the Y. M. C. A. work in Parama at which place they will make their home. Helen Coe will be bridesmaid and several other girls from Beta Chapter will attend the wedding.

Our President, Amy Cheney, has been forced on account of ill health to give up her school duties for the past two months and to return to her home in Keosauqua. The chapter girls are glad, indeed, that she will be able to return to Wesleyan next Fall.

Louise Brady was chosen by the Junior class to receive the Senior mantel at the Class Day exercises during commencement.

Mabel Duncan has recently been elected secretary of the Scribblers, a new literary club organized at Wesleyan.

Alice Babb, who has been attending Northwestern for the past year, visiting her friends, May Johnson and Mabel Duncan, during commencement and the weeks following.

Maud Maiken of Albia and Alberta Stephens and Edith Springer McCullough of Wapello visited the chapter at commencement time.

Edith Van Cise will be married to Mr. Ledru Willits July 1, at her home in Mt. Pleasant.

Eula Dunn visited us a few days during commencement. She was en-route to California, where she will spend the summer in order to regain her health, if possible.

Stella Bennett, teacher in Morningsun and Maisie Schreiner, principal of the Ames High school, were commencement visitors.

Mabel Duncan received third place in the Harlan prize oratorical contest held here during commencement week.

Miss Ellen Ball was elected Grand Organizer of the P. E. O. sisterhood at a convention recently held at Cedar Rapids.

DELTA

Helen Tinsley McMillin of Cleveland, Ohio, visited us in April.

We were so glad to have with us during commencement week four of our charter members, Margaret Curtis Pierce, Julia White, Elizabeth Carson and Muriel Scott. Their coming was an inspiration to all of us.

May Madden, '06, Edith Justice, '06, and Eunice Orrison, '07, were also with us for the commencement festivities.

Letha Madden has been elected one of the delegates to the Y. W. C. A. conference this summer.

Word has been received of the wedding of Bertha Sprague to Mr. Clarence Mitchell on June 3.

One of the most interesting events of the late spring to all the Delta girls was the party given by our patroness, Mrs. H. Blair Miller, at which the engagement of Catherine Fetty, '08, to Mr. Clarence Smail, Sigma Nu, also of the class of '08, was announced. It certainly was a happy and exciting occasion.

Jesse and Anne Smith, Letha Madden and Mabel Mercer are attending summer school at Bethany.

EPSILON

Margaret Miller will teach in the schools of Tyndall, S. D., next year.

We are pleased to announce our new pledges, Frances Marquis and Ethel Sanborn.

Lilla and Helen Tarbell recently gave a delightful house party at their summer home at Lake Kampeska, S. D. The Alpha girls present were Grace and Ethel Sanborn, Frances Marquis and Marion Williams of Clear Lake, and Julia Sweet of Vermillion.

Helen Tarbell has accepted a position in the schools of Clark, S. D.

Sarah Small, who was forced to leave school on account of her serious illness, is much improved, and we hope will be able to come back in the fall.

On June 30th, at the home of her parents in Hartington, Neb., occurred the marriage of Edna Gable to Mr. Leister.

Clara Salmer is still visiting in Norway. Her letters smack of ocean breezes, mountain climbing and hosts of good things to eat.

Mable Green spent several days visiting the girls in Vermillion after her school closed. From here she went to her new home in New York.

Helen Hill is living on a claim this summer.

ZETA

Mary Hubbell, '07, who has been teaching English in the High school at North Baltimore, was with us during Commencement week.

Clara Schwarm, of Wheeling, W. Va., and Marjorie Smith, of Brookville, were also here at Commencement.

Anna Miller surprised us with a short visit several weeks before college closed.

Mabel Winn, who is attending summer school at Miami, spent several days in Springfield.

Ruth Collier is spending her vacation with her aunt at Marion.

ETA

Miss Hazel Algie was married to Lyron Bailey at her home in Ogdensburg, N. Y., June the fourth. The wedding was a very quiet affair on account of the death of the bride's mother at Easter time. Mr. and Mrs. Bailey will reside in Ogdensburg. Eta sends her heartiest congratulations.

Gertrude Wright, '06, spent a week with us at Commencement time.

Belle Parker, '09, was elected to membership in Eta Pi Upsilon, the Senior woman's society, during the spring.

On June 6th, a son was born to Dr. and Mrs. Walter Davis of Cheshier, N. Y. Eta sends congratulations.

Grace Fox, '06, will teach at Fulton next year.

Florence Curtis will enter Emerson College of Oratory at Boston in the fall.

Elaine Putnam will teach at Wayland, Steuben County, N. Y., next year.

Eva Elliott will be at East Hampton, Long Island, and Belle Chadbourne will teach at Manlius, N. Y.

Teresa Tobin, '05, has been teaching in Miss Goodyear's School on James street, the latter part of the year.

Theodora Bothwell, '11, was elected to Iota Tau, the Sophomore society.

THETA

Eudora Cook, '05, spent Commencement week with us.

Nellie Angell, '07, will spend her vacation in Portland, Oregon, with relatives.

Edith Schuster, '11, will travel through the west this summer with her father.

Amy Erb came to visit us for a couple of days at Commencement time.

Ruth Strong, of Lake Mills, expects to return to school in the fall.

Una Ruth graduated this year from Denver University.

Hattie Field, our chaperone, is spending the summer in travel abroad.

Agnes Ravn, '06, is with Signe Ravn spending the summer in Christiania, Norway.

Lula Runge will return to do graduate work next year at the "U."

IOTA

Ethel Green has returned to her home in Morgantown after a term's teaching in West Liberty Normal school.

Mary H. Cooper read the long paper of the evening before the March meeting of the English club. Her subject was "Social Life in the Time of Chancer."

Mrs. C. E. Hogg was in the southern part of the state recently attending to some business matters.

Bessie Sadler spent a few days in Morgantown to attend the Founders' Day celebration.

Mary Chadwick spent her easter vacation at her home in Morgantown.

Drusilla Johnson-Quick is now settled in her pleasant new home in South Park.

Crystal Courtney was a member of the Junior Prom Committee which conducted the most successful "prom" ever given at the University. Crystal turned her artistic talent to good account in the making of a huge Seal, painted in oils in the University colors.

Lillian Smith has been elected as Alpha Xi Delta's representative on the Woman's League Advisory Board for next year.

Nancy Coplin has been elected secretary of the Pan Hellenic Association.

Mary Meek Atkeson was unanimously elected editor-in-chief of the "Monongolian" (the University literary magazine) at the last meeting of the Board.

Mrs. W. J. Leonard has been visiting her mother for some time past in Tewksbury, Mass.

Mary Cooper visited Mabelle and Blanche Watkins in Grafton, W. Va., recently.

Mary Stewart Fravel has returned to Morgantown to enter the University Summer school.

Three of Iota's girls received their A. B. degrees from the University this commencement. They are Ethel Green, Mary H. Cooper, and Mabel Jane Weaver.

Mary Frances Chadwick received her A. B. degree at the recent commencement of Maryland Woman's college, Lutherville, Md. She has returned to Morgantown where she will continue her musical studies next year.

Bessie Sadler visited in Morgantown during Commencement week.

Mary Cooper has gone to her home in Crossville, Pa., to spend the vacation.

Prof. T. C. Atkeson was repeatedly urged to accept the nomination for governor by the Prohibition party, but declined on account of his University duties.

Mary Chadwick was Historian of her class at Maryland College and read an interesting and witty history of the class life at the Senior Class Day exercises.

Mrs. T. C. Atkeson and her daughter Leda, are visiting friends and relatives in Catlettsburg, Ky.

Mrs. C. E. Hogg expects to spend the greater part of the summer at her old home in Point Pleasant, W. Va.

Mabel Jane Weaver will begin her career as a teacher next year in the Morgantown public schools.

Mary Meek Atkeson will spend the vacation in Independence and Butler, Mo.

Lillian Smith read a very interesting paper on the "Rise of the Heroic Play" before the May meeting of the English club.

Crystal Courtney had a number of water color and china painting pieces in the annual exhibit of the School of Art, which were favorably commented upon.

Cora Jackson has returned to her home in Ronceverte, W. Va., after a year's teaching in Tarboro Male academy, Tarboro, N. C.

Bertha Jane Smith has finished a successful year's teaching in piano music at her private studio in Sisterville, W. Va.

Mary Meek Atkeson published a "Sonnet" in this year's "Monticola."

Lillian Smith is visiting relatives at Guyman, Oklahoma.

Nancy Coplin has gone to her home in Boothsville, W. Va., for her summer vacation.

LAMBDA

Florence Tuttle, '01, sailed June 30th for Europe on the "Saxonia." She will be abroad two months, returning in September in time for the opening of the Salem High school where she is a teacher.

Dora Lucille Johnson, Tufts, ex-'08, was graduated from Smith College this year.

Florence McCoy, '05, is recovering from an operation for appendicitis.

Grace Carleton-Mansfield, '98, has been elected president of the Monday Club of Wakefield, Mass.

Agnes Irene McCoy, '02, is to be the Somerville delegate to the Daughters of Veterans' Convention at Toledo, O., in August.

MU

Mary Helson has returned from Ek River, Wis., to spend the summer in St. Paul.

Myrtle Jones has returned from Ellendale, S. D., where she has been teaching.

Mu loses eight members with this Commencement: Florence Jones, Laura Benz, Ella Halverson, Vin Hitchings, Fanny Gordinier, Alice Melong, Mina Schaetzel and Mary Shiely. Florence Jones will teach at Zumbrota, Fannie Gordinier at Alexandria, and Ella Halverson in California. Laura Benz, Mina Schaetzel, Alice Melong and Mary Shiely will be in the city and therefore not entirely lost from active work.

Mrs. Thomas, Lambda, entertained a number of the girls at her summer home, Lake Minnetonka, June 24.

Margery Thompson, who has not been attending college this year, expects to return in the fall.

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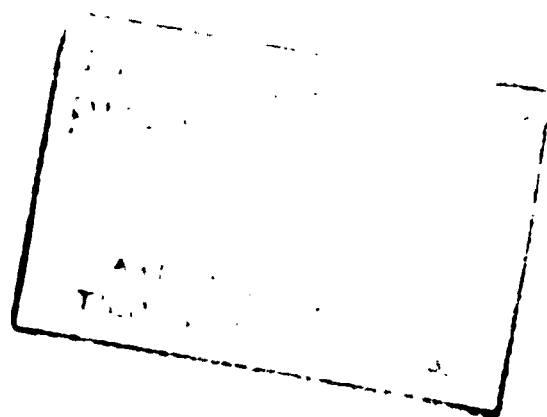
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EXAMINATION GRADES

The examination returns reveal the fact that a study of the Sorority Hand Book is needed by several chapters. Many papers show absolute ignorance concerning the questions taken from this source and as exactly one-half of the number given were derived from Hand Book information, the result has proven very serious. Again, many persons were not acquainted with the several actions of the last convention. There were two especially important actions taken, which were required and which had evidently not been sufficiently studied.

One question, the first was generally misunderstood. By the word "local" was meant not the local organization of the different chapters, but the organization which was the very beginning of Alpha Xi Delta, the local Alpha chapter before it became national.

Information in regard to the Trial Code was lacking, as would be expected under the circumstances. It is to be hoped that every chapter will very soon own a copy of the code.

The chapter averages and individual grades, listed below, are generally lower than those of last year, and are, in some cases, inexcusably poor reports for college fraternity women.

ALPHA CHAPTER

Nell Provoost	93 per cent.	Mabel Hendel.....	86 per cent.
Florence Imes	88 "	Leila Bailey.....	77 "
Chapter average, 86 per cent.			

BETA CHAPTER

Amy Cheney.....	88 per cent.	Ruth Anderson.....	88 per cent.
Mabel Duncan.....	87 "	Ethel Millsbaugh.....	86 "
Clara Campbell.....	87 "	Alice Cheney	85 "
Chapter average, 86 5-6 per cent.			

GAMMA CHAPTER

Nellie Hawkins	94 per cent.	Marie Riker.....	95 per cent.
Mabel Hickler	99½ "	Olive Bracher.....	99 "
Wilda Matthias	87 "	Vivian Strong.....	94 "
Nellie Saltsman.....	85 "	Ruby Robens.....	75 "
Nancy Copeland	90 "	Chapter average, 91 1-9 per cent.	

DELTA CHAPTER

Mary Lewis	79 per cent.	Mary Fray.....	67 per cent.
Dollye B. Houston.....	71 "	Mabel J. Mercer	72 "
Cathrine Felty	77 "	Letha Madden.....	68 "
Sarah A. Smith.....	82 "	Mary G. Cornett	82 "
Edith Mercer.....	66 "	Helen Marshall	73 "
Chapter average, 73.7 per cent.			

EPSILON CHAPTER

Esther Johnson	85 per cent.	Margaret Miller	85 per cent.
Helen Miller.....	75 "	Marion Williams ..	78 "
Sax Nichols	75 "	Lilla Tarbell.....	60 "
Helen Hill.....	70 "	Hellen Tarbel.....	70 "
Helen Frazee	70 "	Bertha Small.....	80 "
Grace Sanborn	60 "	Sarah Small	75 "
Mary Nichols.....	70 "	Pearl Sale.....	77 "
Chapter average, 75 5-14 per cent.			

ZETA CHAPTER

Willard Wright	75 per cent.	Lois Miller.....	78 per cent.
Eula Wright	75 "	Clara Dornblaser.....	80 "
Elizabeth Sudhoff.....	78 "	Lillian Seybold.....	75 "
Ruth A. Collier	80 "	Margaret Fornshell.....	93 "
Chapter average, 79 1-9 per cent.			

ETA CHAPTER

da S. Myers.....95	per cent.	Mary Curtis.....78	per cent.
Iolt.....83	"	Helen Chase .....88	"
Truair .....73	"	Hazel Brush .....77	"
Dumm.....82	"	Lucy Graham .....85	"
ora Bothwell.....83	"	Ethel Carling .....38	"
n Green .....44	"	Margaret Hoard.....88	"
Tobin.....86	"	Lucile Thornton.....89	"
yne Thompson .....88	"	Ethel Patterson.....76	"
Chadbourne.....84	"	Helen Rosa.....85	"
Parker.....83	"	Hazel Slayton .....56	"

Chapter average, 76.3 per cent.

THETA CHAPTER

otte Gardiner.....93	per cent.	Ida Fenton .....93	per cent.
Davis.....93	"	Frances Clark.....93	"
Andrus .....93	"	Nanna Hough.....93	"
eth Tucker .....93	"	Edith Schuster.....93	"

Chapter average, 93 per cent.

IOTA CHAPTER

al Courtney.....90	per cent.	Mabel Jane Weaver.....90	per cent.
Atkeson.....86	"	Chapter average, 88½	per cent.

KAPPA CHAPTER

. Gentsch... ..80	per cent.	Era Reelee .....88	per cent.
Strawn.....83	"	Lura Case.....70	"
Retz.....79	"	Katherine Blake .. ..82	"
Hunt.....78	"	Carrie Rule .....82	"
Spencer.....88	"	Mary Bickel .....88	"
de Edbrooke.....86	"	Masie Martin.....68	"
Thomas.....88	"	Feanette Retz.....65	"
eth Abbott .....80	"	Lucile Kaye.....85	"
Nelson.....86	"	Virginia Strawn.....83	"

Chapter average, 81 1-6 per cent.

LAMBDA CHAPTER

Richards.....75	per cent.	Gertrude Johnson.....59	per cent.
Wood.....65	"	A. R. McCoy.....75	"
mith.....64	"	Ethel Fuller.....75½	"
Burnham.....70	"	Sue Knight.....63½	"
n Carleton .....68	"	Beatryce McFarland.....66	"
y Duffey .....63	"	Elsie May Chandler.....55	"
Cate .....43	"	Ethel Aiken.....69	"
Shepard.....52	"	Estella Butterfield.....34	"

Chapter average, 62 5-16 per cent.

MU CHAPTER

atchings.....91	per cent.	Georgia B. Elwell.....90	per cent.
Gordineer.....95	"	Laura Bemy.....95	"
Spink.....93	"	Alice Schriber .....93	"
alvorson.....90	"	Mina Schoetzel.....95	"
Shieley.....95	"	Grace E. Gilbert .....95	"
F. Melaney .....90	"	Lucy White.....95	"
ice Jones.....95	"	Clara L. Bech.....95	"

Chapter average, 93 5-14 per cent.

NU CHAPTER

Kiltz.....90	per cent.	Lillian Esary.....95	per cent.
a McNarnaia .....70	"	Leila K. Parker.....81	"
ret Harris.....68	"	Frances Sanborn.....81	"
Daniels.....68½	"	Dorothy Mason .....88	"
Parr.....70	"	Mae MacLachlan.....90	"
Everett.....81	"	Adelaide Fischer87	"
ce Lucks65	"	Mary Chambers78	"
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Chapter average, 74 3-7 per cent.



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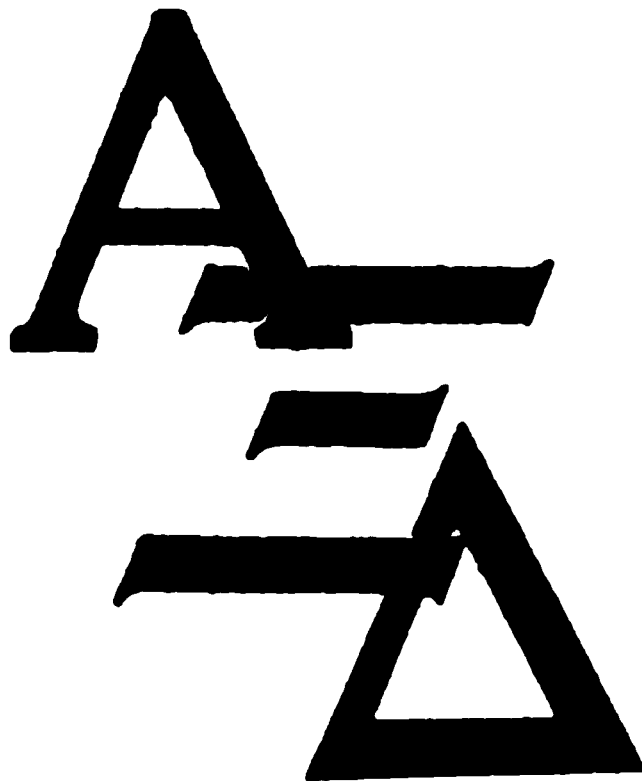
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Since that time the university has grown almost phenomenally and has increased its wealth and facilities for education until now its campus contains 52 acres of land and fifteen large buildings.

The main building is a large brick structure, finished in stone. It contains the President's office, Business Agent's office and Chapel, the remainder being occupied by recitation rooms. Mechanical hall covers an area of about twenty-four thousand feet, is constructed of stone and brick and well furnished with machinery and appliances for work in mechanical engineering. The Science hall is a three-story brick building with wide halls, spacious and well equipped lecture rooms and laboratories. The third floor is devoted to the State Geological museum. The Gymnasium is 100 by 157 feet. The central portion is three stories high, the right one and the left two. It is the best equipped gymnasium in the South and was erected at a cost of \$30,000. The Chemistry building is a two-story structure of



PATTERSON HALL.

brick and stone and was formerly occupied by the Experiment station. The Experiment station is situated one-fourth of a mile from the University. It is a handsome two-story brick structure of colonial design, 114 by 60 feet and was completed in 1904. The Agricultural building has just been completed and equipped. It is a three-story building with red tile roof and is one of the finest buildings on the campus, having cost \$60,000. The Department of Education was completed in 1907 and is an excellent new building at the very entrance to the campus. It is three stories high and contains the Departments of Law, History and Domestic Science. Carnegie Library will be upon completion one of the most artistic of the University buildings and will include the President's library, which is said to be one of the finest in the state. The Mining Engineering department has just completed a large two-story brick building.

The campus contains two large dormitories which afford lodging for the men students. The homes of the President and the Commandant are on the campus. Just north of the University on South Limestone is Patterson Hall, the girls' dormitory. This is a handsome three-story building of brick and stone costing \$60,000 and large enough to accommodate one hundred and twenty-five girls.

About three-quarters of a mile south of the University, on the Nicholasville pike, is the Experiment Station Farm, consisting of two-hundred and forty-three acres, on which is a handsome brick dwelling occupied by the Director of the Station.

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A handsome building for the accommodation of the departments of Physics and Civil Engineering is in process of construction. This building is being erected at a cost of seventy-five thousand dollars.

The University courses have been added to, until a large number and variety are offered. The College of Arts and

Sciences offers thirteen. The schools of Mechanical, Electrical, Mining and Civil Engineering and Law all offer splendid courses leading to degrees. The College of Agriculture offers three courses.

The Faculty of the University numbers twenty-two professors, with forty assistants.

The total enrollment of the University last year was twelve hundred. In the University are eight mens' fraternities: Kappa Alpha (1893), Sigma Chi (1893), Sigma Alpha Epsilon (1900), Kappa Sigma (1901), Phi Delta Theta (1901), Pi Kappa Alpha (1901), Sigma Nu (1902). Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Sigma Nu occupy chapter houses.

Sororities in the institution are: Chi Epsilon Chi 1901 (local), Epsilon Omega Delta 1903 (local). Alpha Gamma Delta 1908 and Alpha Xi Delta 1908.

The Christian Associations and several literary clubs are an important part of the University life.

Kentucky State University is a member of the State University Association of America, and is widely recognized as of a most excellent character. "Its conditions for admission and its conditions for graduation place it on an equal footing with the best institutions west of the Alleghenies." It is a great University now, but it has for the future, promise of even greater achievements.

LIDA JONES, Xi.

HISTORY OF PSI AT KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY.

The growth of the Psi local Sorority, before it became known as such to the outside world, was very quiet and the exact date of its birth cannot be definitely stated. It sprang from the love and close friendship among a group of girls, who, with one exception, were Juniors in the University. They stood high in their classes and were leaders and active participants in all phases of university life with which the student body has to do.

PANORAMIC VIEW.



Main Building.

Boys Dormitory.

Science Hall.

Mechanical Hall.



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GYMNASIUM

MAIN BUILDING.

These facts, together with the affection which these girls had for one another gave rise to a desire to bind themselves more closely together and to give to the college world some sign of their love and friendship. This desire was realized when a secret, Greek-letter society, known as the Psi Sorority, was founded, and a charter was obtained from the faculty in January, nineteen hundred and five.

On account of the high standards of membership the growth of Psi was thenceforth, as always before, slow. Quality was preferred to quantity. In choosing members the guiding principle for Psi was this: "True happiness consists not in the multitude of friends, but in the worth and choice." So during the year after the charter was secured only one member was added. That was a prosperous and happy year, but Commencement robbed Psi of five of her charter members, who were graduated with the class of 1906.

At the beginning of the next school year, five new members were initiated, still keeping the number seven.

In May of this year the Grand Secretary of Alpha Xi Delta visited Psi. She came as the guest of Mrs. Wallis, and no one except the Psi girls knew that Psi's aspirations to become National had brought Miss Kay to Lexington as an official inspector. The local was not, however, encouraged to petition for a charter just at this time.

The next year two more girls were initiated into Psi. In April of this same college year, Miss Cleveland came to visit the chapter. She gave her approval to the preparation of a petition, so, with the consent of the Grand Committee of Alpha Xi Delta, Psi formally petitioned for a charter in May, 1908. It was granted and preparations were made during the summer for the installation, which took place September eleventh and twelfth. Psi local was then merged into Xi chapter of the Alpha Xi Delta Sorority, and its loyal members became enthusiastic Alphas.

AUTUMN.

Rustling thru the branches,
Shaking falling leaves,
Whispering tales of winter,
Flits the Autumn breeze.
Gone is Summer's beauty,
Gone her warm life too,
Dead stalks crackle sharply
Where the flowers grew.
The soft green velvet carpet
Is now a dreary brown.
The wee nests show forlornly
Where leaves have fallen down.
The songsters to the southland
On pinion swift have flown;
The birdlings of the Springtime
To full-fledged wings have grown.
All the world seems dreary,
The frozen stream forlorn
Weeps crystal tears of sorrow
To help sad nature mourn.
Come forth with smiles of gladness!
There is no need to weep!
The brown trees still are living,
The flowers are but asleep!
The songs will seem the sweeter,
Of the birds now flown away,
The breeze will seem more balmy,
They'll all come back some day.
So cast aside your sorrow,
Weep not for joys not past,
But think now of the morrow
For sorrow does not last.

Ruth McNamee, Mu.

CHARTER MEMBERS OF XI CHAPTER.



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CHARTER MEMBERS OF XI CHAPTER.



Margaret Jane Wanless.

Nell Wallis.

Elizabeth Wallis.

Lida Jones.

Anna Wallis.

THE INSTALLATION OF XI AT KENTUCKY STATE UNIVERSITY.

Again Alpha Xi Delta has opened her doors to admit a new chapter and that it is one of which our sorority may well feel proud, three of our Grand Committee can testify from personal acquaintance.

The Psi local was established at Kentucky State University some four years ago and has continued to grow slowly but surely, gradually making a very strong position for itself in college circles. Early in 1907 application was made to Alpha Xi Delta for a charter but it was not until September of this year that the charter was granted and that Xi chapter became an actuality. The excellent printed petition presented by these girls is deserving of mention, being unusually attractive in binding and in quality of presswork and illustration.

On the morning of September eleventh, the Installation Committee, consisting of Martha Hutchings-McKean, editor, and Mary E. Kay, grand secretary, reached Lexington, and were taken at once to Patterson Hall, the girls' dormitory at the University, where they were guests during their stay. Here they were met by all the Alphas-elect and the plans for the installation sessions were completed.

Xi chapter is composed entirely of Southern girls and a most enthusiastic band they are. They are experienced in sorority matters, understanding the local conditions thoroughly, and had prepared themselves for membership in Alpha Xi Delta by a knowledge of the sorority's history and of the Inter-Sorority Conference work, which was most pleasing to the "installers." Undoubtedly the work of this chapter for the last four years is but an earnest of what it will do under the standard of the double blue and gold.

On the afternoon of the eleventh, Mrs. J. Embry Allen gave a beautifully appointed tea at her charming home on Aylesford avenue. The decorations were pink Alpha roses and the idea was carried out also in the cakes and ices. Mrs. Allen's home is opened very often to the girls and her hospitality

and kindness have been of the greatest benefit and assistance to them.

In the evening a large reception was given at Patterson Hall, where the sorority was "at home" to the faculty of the University, all of the fraternities and sororities and their friends. The drawing room where the receiving line stood was trimmed with ferns and pink roses and the halls and living room with hanging baskets of ferns, palms and begonias. The chapter patronesses, Mrs. Caroline Embry Wallis, Mrs. Alfred Zembrod, Mrs. R. W. Jones, Mrs. C. R. Melcher and Mrs. Embry Allen assisted the girls in receiving. Xi chapter is to be congratulated in its patronesses, all of whom are much interested in the success and welfare of the chapter.

After the reception when all the lights in the dormitories were supposedly out, neophytes and officers repaired to the chapter rooms where the installation ceremony took place. The new installation ceremony was used for the first time and nine splendid girls took the vows of constancy and loyalty which made them Alpha Xi Deltas. The girls composing Xi Chapter are Misses Anna Wallis, Cottell Gregory, Mary Lockridge, Elizabeth Wallis, Eva Nunnelly, Anne Simrall, Nell Wallis, Lillian Ferguson and Lida Jones.

The following morning a long business session was held when the constitution, by-laws and other matters of sorority interest were thoroughly discussed. At the conclusion a session, (more or less melodious), with the song books, took place.

That afternoon the new chapter and its guests in two large automobiles, went out to "Elmendorf," the largest stock farm in Kentucky and situated in the heart of the beautiful Blue Grass country, rendered familiar to everyone by James Lane Allen and John Fox, Jr. A visit was also paid to "Ashlands," the old home of Henry Clay, and by the invitation of Major J. Embry Allen, to Camp Augustus Willson, when the dress parade of the 2nd Kentucky regiment was taking place.

In the evening the installation banquet occurred and was a fitting climax to the pleasant events that had preceded. The

table was artistic with pink roses and beautiful, hand-painted **place cards**, the work of Miss Anna Wallis. Six courses were **served**, after which Miss Lida Jones charmingly presided over a short toast program. Those responding to toasts were **Misses Lockridge, Gregory and Kay and Mrs. McKean.**

Misses Lockridge, Gregory and Kay and Mrs. McKean. A **pleasant** feature of the evening was the reading of **letters** of greeting from the grand officers and a number of the **chapters.**

The installation of Xi adds another link to the strong chain **which** the years are forging for Alpha Xi Delta. Never truly "**national**" until the founding of this, our first chapter south of **Mason and Dixon's** line, the sorority is undoubtedly **strengthened** by the addition of this new element, and it is unnecessary **to** say that our new Kentucky members are most warmly **welcomed.**

Mary Emily Kay, Gamma, '04.

Grand Secretary of Alpha Xi Delta.

REPORT OF

Seventh Intersorority Conference

Hotel Stratford, Chicago, Illinois, September 10-12, 1908.

FIRST SESSION.

The Seventh Intersorority Conference was called to order Friday, September 11, 1908, at 3 p. m., by Miss A. W. Lytle, Pi Beta Phi, presiding officer. Miss L. P. Green, Kappa Alpha Theta, acted as Secretary.

The following delegates presented credentials and were duly enrolled:

Pi Beta Phi.—Miss A. W. Lytle, State Normal School, Lewiston, Idaho.

Kappa Alpha Theta.—Miss L. P. Green, 15 East Avenue, Ithaca, N. Y.

Kappa Kappa Gamma.—Miss Edith Stoner, 1529 Wabash Avenue, Kansas City, Mo.

Delta Gamma.—Miss Margarethe Sheppard, 225 Greenwood Boulevard, Evanston, Ill.

Alpha Phi.—Mrs. C. A. McElroy, 153 East Fifty-fourth street, Chicago, Ill.

Gamma Phi Beta.—Miss Laura Hutchins, Marengo, Ill.

Alpha Chi Omega.—Mrs. Richard Tennant, 824 South Fifth street, Terre Haute, Ind.

Delta Delta Delta.—Mrs. E. N. Parmelee, 755 Greenleaf Avenue, Rogers Park, Chicago, Ill.

Alpha Xi Delta.—Mrs. J. R. Lieb, 1271 West Washington street, Springfield, Ill.

Chi Omega.—Miss Jobelle Holcombe, Fayetteville, Ark.

Sigma Kappa.—Mrs. K. B. Miller, 379 East Fifty-sixth street, Chicago, Ill.

Alpha Omicron Pi.—Mrs. C. G. Bigelow, 172 South Francisco street, Chicago, Ill.

The minutes of the Sixth Intersorority Conference were read and approved.

Each delegate presented a report upon the action of her fraternity on subjects of Intersorority interest; Pan-Hellenic difficulties and suggestions for future Intersorority co-operation.

Motion carried that the chair appoint a committee on recommendations to which all recommendations in reports be referred. Committee—Miss Sheppard, Delta Gamma; Miss Stoner, Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Then followed the report of Miss Smith, Pi Beta Phi, Secretary of the Conference, 1907-08. Her summary of the year's work follows:

1. Secretary's Report.

During the year just closing, the advance of inter-fraternity relations has been manifest by two noteworthy instances. First, no complaint of Pan-Hellenic difficulty has been brought to the notice of the Secretary of the Intersorority Conference for investigation. Second, no group of chapters has applied for admission to the Conference.

Eight hundred copies of the report of the Sixth Intersorority Conference were printed and distributed.

Soon after the Sixth Conference, the Pan-Hellenic Association of Michigan sent to the Secretary a statement of the position of Sorosis, together with a request for special dispensation. The Secretary sent to the Grand President the following query: "Are you willing to grant a special dispensation to your chapter at the University of Michigan, allowing them to pledge senior high school girls?" All eight Grand Presidents concerned agreed to grant the dispensation for the college year 1907-08. The Pan-Hellenic at Michigan was then notified that a special dispensation was granted it until the Seventh Intersorority Conference convened.

Representatives of the Intersorority Conference were invited to meet with the Conference of Deans of Women in State Universities for one session, Friday afternoon, December 20th. Each fraternity was notified of the meeting and sent a rep-

representative when possible. (A report of this joint meeting appears elsewhere in this report.)

The question of pledge day seems by no means settled, some schools which have had a late pledge day even agreeing to try matriculation day for next year. In view of the difference of opinion upon this question and considering how thoroughly the matter has been discussed, one delegate makes a timely suggestion that attention be turned to the amelioration of faulty conditions common to all fraternities.

According to the direction of the Sixth Conference, Miss Thompson compiled and distributed a report on the present condition of Pan-Hellenics in the United States, a most valuable article for the use of all chapters.

Later a letter was written to inform alumnae more definitely in regard to the purposes of Intersorority. Four hundred copies of this were printed and distributed.

As directed by the Sixth Conference, the Secretary has printed 200 blanks for presenting matters for the vote of Grand Presidents.

The Secretary has had constant demand for the names of secretaries of Pan-Hellenics. She had printed 500 blanks to be filled with name, address and fraternity of the Pan-Hellenic secretary. These blanks were sent to colleges and returned so that there is now on file for the use of the incoming Secretary a complete list of Pan-Hellenic secretaries.

The manner of exchange of magazines has proven unsatisfactory.

Motion carried to accept the report of the Intersorority Secretary.

Adjournment.

SECOND SESSION.

This session was called to order at 9:30 a. m., Saturday, September 12, 1908.

1. Pan-Hellenic at Wisconsin.

Kappa Kappa Gamma, the committee on Pan-Hellenic

conditions at Wisconsin State University, continued by the Sixth Conference, reported as follows:

Since Wisconsin State University is providing adequate supervised homes for its women students, and, since Interscholastic has been abolished, there is no pressing reason for continuing to pledge preparatory students at Wisconsin. Moreover, some fraternity chapters there do not desire to pledge preparatory students any more. The Wisconsin Pan-Hellenic has presented no petition for renewal of its expired dispensation.

In view of this report, the Seventh Intersorority Conference is proud to announce that henceforth Wisconsin fraternity chapters will conform to the Intersorority Conference rule prohibiting the pledging of non-matriculantes.

2. Pan-Hellenics.

The committee upon present conditions of Pan-Hellenics presented its report—which was printed and distributed to the Conference fraternities early in 1908. Attention was called to the fact that the variation in time of opening of our colleges—from August first to October first—results in some cases in longer compacts than the report's enumeration by date of pledge day makes evident.

Motion carried to accept this report with hearty appreciation of Miss Thompson's fine work.

3. Intersorority Conference Constitution.

Alpha Omicron Pi reported an affirmative vote upon the proposed constitution. As all the other represented fraternities had endorsed this constitution at the time of the Sixth Conference, a motion was carried that the official organization for Intersorority Conference shall be the constitution as printed in report of the Sixth Conference.

4. Pan-Hellenic at Michigan.

A petition for a renewal of its special dispensation to pledge preparatory students was presented by the Michigan State University Pan-Hellenic.

Since the local Sorosis continues to refuse to co-operate in the abolishment of such pledging, it was deemed expedient that this dispensation be renewed, in order not to handicap the nationals at Michigan

Motion carried that this Conference recommend to the Grand Presidents of fraternities represented at Michigan State University, that a dispensation be granted to the Michigan Pan-Hellenic for one year, provided only seniors in the high schools be pledged and the pledge be withdrawn if the pledged girl does not enter the University one year from September following the pledging; this dispensation to expire September, 1909.

Motion carried that the Intersorority Conference Secretary convey to the Michigan Pan-Hellenic our sincere congratulations upon the progress of Pan-Hellenic ideas in its University.

5. Exchange of Fraternity Magazines.

This subject was fully discussed. There was unanimous agreement that the present plan of exchange is unsatisfactory and that the ideal plan of exchange with all chapters is impractical because of expense. It was reported that the chapters of some fraternities subscribe for the magazines of other fraternities, and also that some Pan-Hellenics do the same. The following action was taken concerning exchanges:

Carried that the Intersorority Conference Secretary prepare a journal exchange list, said list to include three national officers of each Intersorority Conference fraternity (these three officials, in each case, to be designated by their fraternity), and the delegates to the Intersorority Conference. This official exchange list is to be sent to each fraternity editor, who shall be responsible for the mailing of her magazine to all addresses on the list.

Motion carried that each fraternity editor put the library of every University, where her fraternity is represented, on her mailing list and notify her chapters of these fraternity librar-

ies; this library exchange to supplant the former Pan-Hellenic exchange.

Carried that each fraternity editor be asked to keep an accurate list during 1908-09 of the subscriptions received from Pan-Hellenics and from chapters of other fraternities, and, through her Intersorority delegate, submit a report of the same to the next Intersorority Conference. Each fraternity is asked to suggest to its chapters the value of subscribing for other fraternity magazines.

6. Dean's Conference.

The following report from the Conference of Intersorority delegates with Deans of Women in December, 1907, was submitted:

The Deans of Women of State Universities were in substantial agreement on the following topics of interest to fraternity women:

Chaperones.—The office should be dignified by better definition, and more authority. One way of doing this is to make the chaperone a member of the committee of the chapter, whose duty is to formulate suitable house rules, and to secure their observance. Such a committee should be of great assistance to a chapter in determining its social activities, etc.

Rushing.—This way of recruiting the chapters is deplored. Sophomore pledging is approved, and a scholarship standard of eligibility is advocated.

Parties.—The use of University buildings for parties is advised wherever this is possible, as opposed to clubs and halls not located on the campus.

Scholarship.—The practice of some fraternities in securing from the Deans periodic reports of individual grades for each chapter is believed to encourage scholarship.

Visiting Delegates.—The Deans are glad to meet these ladies, and welcome conferences with them early in their visits to their respective chapters.

This report was followed by a discussion of chapter houses and chaperones. Mrs. Tennant reported her list of

eligible chaperones as very small, but that, if a small salary was connected with the position, more chaperones would be available.

Motion carried that the president appoint a committee to consider with Deans of Women the position of the fraternity chaperone in college life, also the functions and qualifications of chaperone. Committee: Alpha Chi Omega, Gamma Phi Beta, Chi Omega.

Adjourned for the annual luncheon of Intersorority Conference delegates. The luncheon was at the College club, which kindly gave us the use of their rooms for our last session

THIRD SESSION.

The session opened with a continuation of the discussion of the meeting of fraternity women and Deans. Particular attention was called to the fact that the Deans had concurred with former Intersorority Conferences in recommending a Sophomore pledge day.

Motion carried that the Seventh Intersorority Conference again urge a late pledge day, preferably a Sophomore pledge day.

The committee on recommendations then presented its report, which included all recommendations from delegates reports to the first session.

7. Pan-Hellenic Recommendations.

The following recommendations are submitted to local Pan-Hellenics with the request that each Pan-Hellenic give them careful consideration, and, as far as practical, adopt the principles of each recommendation.

A. Every Pan-Hellenic MUST conform to the by-laws that require each fraternity chapter to be represented in Pan-Hellenics by one active and ONE ALUMNA member. It is urged that alumnae members be chosen with great care. Women several years out of college, who are in close touch with

their University's and their chapter's life, and in sympathy with Intersorority Conference ideas and work—upon which they should be well informed—should be chosen for these positions. A long tenure of office for efficient alumnae members is also deemed advisable.

B. Pan-Hellenics are urged to adopt a rule requiring definite scholarship attainments in the University, as a qualification for eligibility to fraternity membership.

C. We recommend to Pan-Hellenics that they endeavor to restrict the expense, number and duration of social functions and engagements by women's fraternities as far as is compatible with local conditions.

D. We suggest that Pan-Hellenics be careful not to create feeling between fraternity and non-fraternity college women through too many or through inopportune Pan-Hellenic meetings and functions.

E. Pan-Hellenics are urged to avoid all public press notoriety and to endeavor always to keep the respect of their University and town communities.

F. We strongly recommend that each Pan-Hellenic have some general meetings to which ALL fraternity members are invited and allowed to take part in discussions—meetings to read and discuss Intersorority Conference reports; shortcomings of our last compact; effects of a Sophomore pledge day in our college, etc.

G. Since at the University of Wisconsin an organization of the resident alumnae of all fraternities has proved most helpful in solving fraternity and University problems concerning rushing, social life, etc., it is the concensus of opinion in this Conference that a similar organization would prove helpful in every University where fraternities are represented. It is therefore suggested that in each Pan-Hellenic the alumnae members take the initiative in forming such an organization for their college.

8. Fraternity Recommendations.

The following recommendations are submitted to each

fraternity with the strong hope that each Grand President will urge their adoption in the policies of her fraternity.

A. That each fraternity hold its Intersorority delegate responsible for the distribution of Intersorority Conference reports and papers, and also for instructing chapters as to the use of the same.

B. That each fraternity include in its chapter examinations a question concerning the present procedure and possible penalty in case of the breaking of a Pan-Hellenic contract.

C. That each fraternity, with ideals of honor and faith in the integrity of others, emphasize these points in the policy of its chapters.

D. That each fraternity devise a method of informing its alumnae of Intersorority Conference principles and policies, so that an alumnae teaching in a preparatory school will not thoughtlessly take steps that will disrupt years of cordial feeling between her chapter and other fraternities in her Alma Mater.

E. That each fraternity instruct its visiting delegate to impress upon the chapters the need not of a higher standard of scholarship than they already possess, but a high standard irrespective of their present standing.

F. That each fraternity endeavor to make the position of chaperone in its chapter houses one of definite duties, powers and dignity. That if possible, the positions be filled by alumnae of experience and judgment.

9. Intersorority Recommendations.

The following recommendations were adopted by the Seventh Intersorority Conference:

A. That a committee be appointed to investigate the "no rushing policy" of the famous societies of Yale and Harvard. Committee: Alpha Phi and Sigma Kappa.

B. That an enumeration of concrete results of Intersorority be printed in each fraternity magazine. This enumeration to be compiled by the Secretary of Intersorority to insure

uniformity. Fraternity editors are also urged to give prominence and active, continued support to Intersorority Conference interests.

C. That a committee be appointed to draw up an interfraternity code concerning the dismissal of members, withdrawing of invitations, breaking of pledges. Committee: Chi Omega, Alpha Xi Delta, and Delta Delta Delta.

D. That the name of this conference be changed to National Pan-Hellenic Conference.

E. That a committee be appointed which shall make the 1907-08 Letter to alumnae organizations the basis for a similar letter this fall. Committee: Kappa Kappa Gamma, Alpha Omicron Pi, Delta Delta Delta.

A vote of thanks was given the College club for courtesies extended.

Some desultory discussion followed upon the situation of fraternities at Barnard; written replies to invitations to join a fraternity; need of constant effort to keep fraternity women informed on Intersorority Conference matters; high school fraternities; indefiniteness of Pan-Hellenic constitutions; fraternity presidents as delegates to Intersorority; and plans for the next Conference.

Motion carried to assess each fraternity five dollars (\$5.00) for Intersorority Conference expenses, each delegate to instruct her Grand Treasurer to send the assessment direct to the Conference Secretary.

The Intersorority Conference was declared adjourned until September, 1909.

L. PEARLE GREEN, Kappa Alpha Theta,
Secretary of Seventh Intersorority Conference.

GAMMA PHI BETA.

The Alpha Chapter of Gamma Phi Beta was founded at Syracuse University, Nov. 11, 1874. The founders were four young ladies, Frances E. Haven, E. Adeline Curtis, Helen M. Dodge and Mary A. Bingham. The society from its founding had the fatherly councils of Bishop, then Cancellor E. O. Haven. He gave it the name it bears and aided it by his influence. In 1879, the society became incorporated under the laws of the state of New York.

The government of the fraternity is vested in the Convention held annually in November with the chapters in rotation. During its recess an executive board of five members administers the affairs of the sorority.

The badge is a monogram of the three letters, Gamma Phi Beta, surrounded by an enameled crescent displaying Hebrew characters. The colors are fawn and seal brown. The flower is the pink carnation.

Gamma Phi was the first women's Greek letter society to adopt the name of sorority. It now consists of twelve active and eight alumnae chapters. It has never at any time granted honorary membership.

Following is the chapter roll of Gamma Phi Beta:

ALPHA	-	-	Syracuse University, Syracuse, N. Y.
BETA	-	-	University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.
GAMMA	-	-	University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis.
DELTA	-	-	- Boston University, Boston, Mass.
EPSILON	-	-	Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill.
ZETA	-	-	- Women's College, Baltimore, Md.
ETA	-	-	University of California, Berkeley, Cal.
THETA	-	-	- University of Denver, Denver, Col.
IOTA	-	-	Barnard College, of Columbia University, N. Y. City.
KAPPA	-	-	University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn.
LAMBDA	-	-	University of Washington, Seattle, Wash.
MU	-	-	- Leland Stanford, Jr., University, Cal.

Alumnae Chapters.

Chicago.
Syracuse
Boston
Denver

New York
Milwaukee
San Francisco
Minnesota

LAC DE LA FÉE.

Long thin clouds in the evening sky
Draw their lines of grey
Over the face of the low-hung sun
As it drops behind Lac de la Fée.

Against the yellow sunset glow
Uprear three great pine trees
And one, more tall than the rest, is astir
At the whim of some vagrant breeze.

At the foot of the hill, the broad lake lies,
Calm, unruffled, deep,
And mirrored in that smooth expense,
Sun, clouds, and wooded steep.

A robin whistles his warning cry;
Lower sinks the sun;
Wierd and sad all bird-notes sound;
From the shore creep shadows dun.

The plash of a fish when the sun is gone,
The whirr of an owl in flight,
A cracking branch, echo loud and strange
In the quiet of the night.

The air grows slumbrous with perfumed dew,
The moon from her covert creeps
And rides through the sky with a faint, faint light,
While the Lake of the Fairy sleeps.

MARION RYAN, Theta.

CHAPTER GRANTS.

From the supplement to "The Sorority Handbook," we copy the following list of sororities which have in the past year placed chapters in the colleges named:

Alpha Chi Omega. Baker, Colorado, Nebraska.

Alpha Delta Phi. Lawrence.

Alpha Gamma Delta. DePauw, Kentucky, Ohio, Minnesota.

Alpha Omicron Pi. Cornell, DePauw, Maine, Tufts.

Alpha Sigma Alpha. Chevy Chase, Randolph-Macon. Omit Fairmont, Lewisburg.

Alpha Xi Delta. Kentucky State University.

Beta Sigma Omicron. Brenau, Central.

Chi Omega. Florida.

Delta Delta Delta. Colby, DePauw, Transylvania.

Delta Gamma. Adelphi.

Kappa Alpha Theta. Washington State.

Kappa Delta. Illinois Wesleyan, Iowa State College, Northwestern.

Phi Mu. Southwestern, Tennessee.

Phi Mu Gamma. Emerson College of Oratory, New England Conservatory.

Sigma Kappa. Brown, Denver.

Sigma Sigma Sigma. Lewisburg, Searcy, Women's College
Withdrawn.

Zeta Phi. Toronto.

Zeta Tau Alpha. Richmond charter withdrawn.

Every Day Council

Some Thoughts for the Self-satisfied Chapter.

How many times do we take up magazines of high standing, and read severe criticisms of sororities and their customs not written by the unintelligent and the unknowing, but by students of college life and welfare. These criticisms are, I think, often unjust, but a broad minded girl will see that there is much in them that is just. We do not need criticism if we know ourselves as we ought, and understand and correct our mistakes; but when we comfortably close our eyes to our knowledge of what we ought to be and idly enjoy what we are, just criticism is then invaluable.

Self-satisfaction is always a cause of stagnation and I believe it is the greatest failing and the greatest danger of every sorority. When Alpha girls make it their principle always to praise one another and to overlook one another's faults, they take away much of the incentive to improve our sorority and make it progressive. We love Alpha Xi. Delta, but we express it in the wrong way. Instead of "Hitching our wagon to a star," we convince ourselves that we are the star, allowing no opportunity of advancement.

What are we, as chapters, doing to justify our existence? We are working very hard for our pleasure, but we are doing little for the advancement and culture of our sorority and our colleges. Perhaps I am unjust, but judging from my knowledge and from the chapter letters and articles in our journal I think my criticism is well founded.

The years in college are the best years for work; our minds are active, we have the best ideas and the highest ideals; we are in the atmosphere of learning and we have every facility to do intellectual work. There are innumerable things that we can do. The societies at Wellesley set us a good example

and I would be glad to see my sorority follow their lead in the splendid work that they do. For instance, the Shakespeare society spends a year studying one of Shakespeare's plays, giving different scenes at their weekly meetings, looking up the manners and customs of Shakespeare's time, then at the end of the year as the result of their study, the play is acted on the campus. No careless work is done, the play is well costumed, well interpreted and well acted showing how serious is their work during the year. Another society studies art, another Greek, another debate and so on.

If each of Alpha Xi Delta's chapters would take up some special line of work, doing enough in it to make it worth while would it not improve itself, its sorority and its college? think it would.

RUTH A. SIRBLEY, Boston Alumnae.

THE UPPER CLASSMAN IN THE SORORITY.

What should be the standard for the upper classman in the sorority? In handling a subject of this kind there is always the tendency to create an ideal to which it is difficult for the ordinary upper classman to attain; the kind of person that one finds in Sunday school books oftentimes, admirable but unnatural. The ideal upper classman in the sorority! What qualifications entitle one to membership in this desirable, but select class?

First, she should be a careful student and should be prompt and regular in attendance at classes. The respect the under classmen have for her is often proportioned to her faithfulness in these respects. Courteous should she be at all times, and dignified, considering as seriously any suggestion from an under classman as though it came from a Senior. You will find her a worker in the sorority, too, shouldering the burdens

willingly, for she is loyal to the core. Her sorority will be to her more than a mere social club, for its principles will become a part of herself. Through giving much she will gain much, and her sorority will come to have an almost sacred meaning which many others in the sorority will miss.

Cheerful should she be at all times and true,
Speaking the word that will help to do
Away with error, yet not neglect to do it kindly.

The one who is hurt will forget the pain when she realizes the spirit of kindness that prompted the word.

Further, our ideal upper classman should be unyielding as a rock when convinced that she is right, even though the rest of the chapter be arrayed against her. In the foreground of her thought should be the question: Is this course the best for the individual or for the sorority?

Last and perhaps best of all is the matter of charity that the ideal upper classman should try to throw over the shortcomings of others. What more beautiful habit can one acquire than that of making excuses for other people's weaknesses! In essence, if our upper classman only have a loving heart hasn't she found the solution for most of life's problems?

- "Four things a man must learn to do,
If he would make his record true,
To think without confusion clearly,
To love his fellow men sincerely,
To act from honest motives purely,
To trust in God and Heaven securely."

EDITH LAWRENCE, Eta.

FACULTY, FRATERNITY AND SORORITY RELATIONS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON.

From statistics gathered at the University of Washington for the past two years, the relative scholarship of the fraternity students compared with that of non-fraternity students was found to be lower. So this year the members of the faculty have taken it upon themselves to help better the situation. They are making a systematic effort to have the precedent established that the in-coming class shall devote its time almost exclusively to work, as heretofore too much attention has been devoted by the Freshmen to college activities and social affairs and the foundation for the greatest profit in the three succeeding years has not been strongly laid.

The rules which are now being enforced are as follows:

"Rule 1. No student shall be initiated into a fraternity or sorority until he (or she) has earned twelve credit marks at the University.

"Rule 2. No freshman pledged or initiated in any fraternity or sorority shall attend any social function open to both sexes excepting University functions exclusively for the Freshman class and the general reception to opening students, and except the functions given by the student's own fraternity or sorority during the semester following his initiation.

"Rule 3. No fraternity or sorority shall give more than three social functions a year at which members of the opposite sex are entertained, and none of these shall take place during the first month of the year."

MAE McLACHLAN, Nu.

FOR THE CHAPTER MEETING.

Suggestions from Alpha as to how we may make our Chapter meetings more helpful and more interesting:

1. That each chapter begin a systematic study of the Sorority handbook preparatory to those inevitable examinations.

2. That we spend several hours each week practicing our songs and learning several of the best ones by heart. This will help to keep up the interest of the pledges in the sorority and arouse new spirit and enthusiasm in the members.

3. That any sister who comes across a particularly good poem, sentiment, song, etc., be prepared to share it with her other sisters at the next meeting.

4. That Parliamentary rules be strictly observed in conducting the business part of the meeting.

5. That a study of the constitution and by-laws of Alpha Xi Delta Sorority be taken up at each meeting in order that every new member may have a thorough understanding of the organization. This will in a measure facilitate the work of the Grand Officers.

Alpha chapter is very eager to receive any suggestions along these lines from other chapters.

MABEL HENDEL.

TO THE INITIATES.

A Toast.

The girls who have already left our active chapter, the girls who are to leave us soon, the under class girls—I ask all to join in a toast to our initiates:

Dear Initiates:, you all know, now, all that our golden quill stands for; you know the message of our rose; you have entered into our love. We have made new places in our hearts for each one of you and you in turn have taken us into yours. Girls all over this land of ours, seeing your quill, will take your hand in understanding, because they, too, wear quills. Love, sisterly love—it is the keynote. Love which forgives petty grievances and overlooks small faults; love which fills and overflows from each one of us. In the years to come there will come sorrows and trouble. You will be grieved, vexed; yet let the message of our quill ever come before you, restraining, guiding, helping you. It is a sweet and wonderful thing to feel that the right to wear the quill gives us also the right to claim sympathy from every other sister, wherever she may be.

May we all so live that day by day those we meet may say with commendation, "She wears a quill," and may Alpha Xi Delta stand always for the beautiful, loving unselfishness which always gives itself freely to the needier ones around it.

Sisters, a toast to the initiates, the X, the Untried Few! May we prove them and ourselves true to Alpha Xi Delta!

LUCY J. WHITE, Mu.

ROUND TABLE

"O, wad some power the gift to gie us,
To see oursels as others see us.
It would from many a blunder free us
And foolish notion."

The poet surely saw the advantage in having close friends. It would not be easy for us to hear our faults told us from the lips of any mere acquaintance. But should one of our sorority sisters tell us of them kindly, in the way a sister should speak to another, we would be lastingly grateful.

The girls of Zeta feel that there is no one who is better fitted to tell them their faults—and every person has at least a few—than our sorority sisters with whom we live and associate. So at every chapter meeting after the business of the day has been finished, the president announces roundtable. At this time the girls in a kindly way, show to one another what each has done which might look unrefined or objectionable to an outsider.

Of course, all suggestions must be taken in the right spirit, for they are meant to be of help to us in our contact with others.

For example, our girls are watched by the non-sorority girls in school, and if one of us should consciously or unconsciously overstep the bounds of propriety or do some act in which perhaps she saw no harm, but which was considered by older people to be unwise, is it not the duty of her closest friends, her sorority sisters, to show her kindly where she is wrong and how she may better her conduct?

The saddest hours of a person's life, are those in which she reflects upon the mistakes of her life and says, "If I had only known."

All of us need help in correcting our faults, so can't we take any suggestions made to us as they are meant, in a kindly spirit, and improve our lives and habits by pondering over them?

Let us talk this idea over together and help each other for the good of ourselves, as well as of our Alpha Xi Delta.

CLARA HILL DORNBLASER, Zeta.

Editorials

A real privilege is ours in being permitted to extend a welcome to Xi chapter. Because we know personally of the sterling qualities of Xi's members, our welcome is the more cordial and sincere. Alpha Xi Delta may well congratulate herself upon the placing of this chapter. Seldom has our sorority entrusted a charter to more worthy girls or under more auspicious circumstances. May Xi's abundant promise of usefulness and distinction be more than fulfilled in the years to come.

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We call attention to the changes in our Editorial staff. Miss Etta Bates of Gamma chapter, has been added to our number. Mrs. Gilmour is not a new member of the staff, but rather our former Associate Editor under a new name. Congratulations and good wishes are therefore her due, and we gladly offer them.

A change of publishers has also been made, which fact accounts for the lateness of this issue.

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The report of the Seventh Intersorority Conference, which appears in this issue of the **Alpha Xi Delta**, deserves careful and thoughtful reading by every college fraternity woman. To us it is an encouraging sign of progress that the recommendations of this last Conference are so much more concrete and definite than were those of the earlier Conferences. The spirit of the Inter-Sorority movement has always been good, but it has been misunderstood all too often,—especially by the younger college girls. Now that the ideas contained in the Conference report seem more tangible and serviceable, a larger number of actual benefits ought to result from Pan-Hellenic organizations.

Two of the recommendations of the recent Conference we wish especially to commend. Section 7, paragraph B, urges the adoption by local Pan-Hellenics of a rule requiring definite scholarship attainments in the University as a qualification for eligibility to fraternity membership. We know personally of one Pan-Hellenic which has most successfully practiced such a rule. An early pledge day was the custom, but the pledged girls were not initiated until after the first term examinations, and then only if they had attained at least a fairly good grade. We would like to see every chapter of Alpha Xi Delta aid in securing such a rule in its local Pan-Hellenic. Failing in that, a chapter of our sorority could hardly find a more effectual means of raising its scholarship than by enforcing such a rule for itself. The better way, however, is for the Pan-Hellenic in your college to try this rule unitedly. All sororities cherish high scholastic attainments as one of their ideals, but these same sororities honestly acknowledge their failure in this direction. For the future we hope that a combined effort will accomplish more than have the efforts of individual chapters along this line.

Because high scholarship is not Alpha Xi Delta's only aim, we commend also the attempt to define the powers and duties of the chapter house chaperones. (See Section 8, Paragraph F, of the Report.) We especially urge the idea that where possible alumnae of experience and judgment should fill these positions. Only an alumna can rightfully appreciate all of the sorority problems, and thus become the intimate friend and counselor of the girls under her charge. An alumna chaperone who cherishes the high ideals of our fraternity, can be the greatest possible influence for good in any chapter house, and develop in the girls that true womanliness and breadth of understanding which Alpha Xi Delta strives to cultivate.

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We have been pleasantly and necessarily reminded of the desirability of each active chapter's keeping in close touch with its alumnae members.

The pleasurable reminder was a big bundle of letters which circulates among the alumnae of our own chapter, and which each must add her contribution as often as this "Round Robin" returns to her. The letters go to the Corresponding Secretary of the active chapter also. She is thus enabled very easily to secure a great deal of desirable information as to the history and whereabouts of the "old girls," and further to keep them up-to-date upon the active chapter's interests and achievements and needs. Pleasure! How it does warm the cockles of one's heart to hear from every one of those girls again! Many of them we would lose sight of entirely but for the circular letter. Truly it is good and pleasant to keep up the college friendships.

But as might have been expected, the Editorial Staff had also a necessity to remind us that the active chapters ought to keep in close touch with their alumnae. For our own good purposes, we desired a correct list of names and addresses of all Alpha Xi Delta alumnae. More or less correct lists came to us from about all of the chapters, and for them we are grateful. We want, however, to urge every chapter to make doubly sure never to lose sight of one single graduate member. We urge this, not so much in view of possible needs of the Journal, as because of the benefit we know such a course will bring to your chapter locally. Your alumnae can aid you financially and socially, with their advice about rushees and chapter problems in general, and in all the numerous ways which we know are possible for an enthusiastic alumna. All this they will do, if only—and just here is the point for girls in college to observe—if only your actions will make the alumnae know that you want them and need them. Who of us gives a last winter's garment to our well-to-do neighbor? To just the same extent, do alumnae help chapters that never consult or rely in the least upon the wisdom and experience of their graduates. Every chapter ought to bring pleasure to its old girls, and profit to its active girls by keeping the two groups of Alpha Xi Deltas sympathetic and harmonious in their interests.

Exchanges

EXCHANGE EDITOR - GERTRUDE WRIGHT-GILMOUR.

[Exchanges are requested to send one copy to each of the following: Mrs. S. R. McKean, Newberry, Pa.; Mrs. J. R. Lieb, 1271 West Washington St., Springfield, Ill.; Mrs. J. E. Gilmour, 66 Kennedy St., Bradford, Pa.]

We acknowledge the receipt of the following publications, calling attention to a few of the interesting and instructive articles:

The Arrow of Pi Beta Phi:

July—One can readily see from the space given in this number to reports of Alumnae clubs, that Pi Beta Phi keeps in close touch with her graduate members. The following clipping from an editorial suggests a method:

It is gratifying already to see first fruits from the newly required annual circular letters to chapter alumnae. There is no question that they will serve to deepen the alumnae's interest in her chapter. That from the point of view of material gain to the chapter they may also be valuable, the following incident will show. Your editor was talking with an alumna of some years standing who did not know that the Indianapolis convention had made the issue of these letters compulsory. With evident pride she told how enterprising her chapter, one in the middle West, had been; how the girls had issued a letter to the alumnae giving an account of their life, their work, and their plans, and stating further that it was their intention to issue similar letters annually. "And do you know," continued this alumna, "I haven't been back to college for seven years but I am going this commencement to see the girls, and if they need it, I am going to double my subscription to the chapter house." and she did.

Delta of Sigma Nu:

August—"Introspection." A. F. Krippen.

We quote a few lines from this helpful article:

Quite recently a rival fraternity man said to me, "The sooner our college fraternities adopt, among other things, a policy that aims at the graduation of their men, and one that fosters a spirit of dignified democracy, the sooner will they be accorded a more cordial welcome into our system of higher education." This appeals to me as the very essence of an important and far-reaching truth. The business man of today who employs the college man will ask, essentially, three questions—"What has

been your experience?" "Which school are you from" and "Did you finish?" He desires to know if the applicant for a position has the strength and ability to stick to a task once begun. Here, then, is an opportunity for the chapter to be of practical value to the individual by exercising over him an influence that will keep him in school as an average student or better. If this influence begins to work on the man from the day of his initiation and continues throughout his first two years as a student he will have learned its helpfulness and so seek to perpetuate the system of chapter surveillance over its members. In some colleges we already have this scheme of chapter examination into the work of the individual members with a result that is wholesome and valuable when properly operated. It is useless, however, when merely recorded in minutes, then stored away with musty records in the chapter archives for the amusement of future generations.

Another important feature that comes properly within the scope of chapter activity in improving its standing is the social attitude of its members. No chapter can expect to be first among its strongest rivals unless its members are in harmony with the progressive spirit of the school wherein it is located. Too much stress cannot be laid upon the fostering of a spirit of genuine loyalty to one's Alma Mater, for it is due directly to faculties and governing boards that the fraternity is permitted to exist—a condition too frequently lost to view when some petty difference creeps in and creates contending factions. Not only should this spirit of fervent college loyalty prevail among fraternity men, but there should be furthermore, that "dignified democracy" already mentioned. Meet the rival fraternity man with a hearty hand-clasp and a greeting that denotes good fellowship, meet the non-fraternity man in the same friendly, congenial fashion, show each one that a Sigma Nu is a gentleman, backed by principles that make for a sterling manhood.

Criteria for Expansion:

"A fraternity is like a nationality in that it must always be developing, strengthening and maturing, or else its course is one of departing life and energy, a fading away of its once inspiring character into weakness and oblivion."

"Sigma Kappa Triangle:"

June—"Life Among the Girls at Brown." Sigma Kappa has established her Kappa chapter at Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island.

The Delta Upsilon Quarterlys

September—This number announces the Seventy-fourth convention to be held at Swathmore, beginning October 22.

from an Editorial:

"Dozens of men come to mind, men who were snapped up by fraternities without a moment's hesitation and in many cases the recipient of invitations from a dozen different societies. The type is so common as almost to need no description. He is the man of modish clothes, spending the wealth of others, not above cribbing to squeeze through an examination, a scoffer at religion and the serious things of life, one who would label a protest against gambling at cards in the chapter house as "damned M. C. A. notions"—a pygmy in mind and disposition.

As between these two men, our present system of rushing is confessedly in favor of the latter. There is no time to study personalities, to probe weakness and vice, and to learn of nobility of character and purpose. Superficiality and the dangerous recommendation of "family" are the bait at which our over-zealous chapters snap with avidity. A reform in method is bound to come sooner or later, either through pan-hellenic cooperation, or through a coming to their senses of the different chapters.

"May we not look to the undergraduates of Delta Upsilon to take the lead? Would it cripple your chapter hopelessly if you took in *not one new member* this year? Or do you need the deceit of the rushing glamour to bring your man? Can you stand to be probed as well as to probe? If so, sound the first note in a movement against this senseless way of pledging new men."

The Record of Sigma Alpha Epsilon:

September—The following editorial brings good thoughts for the beginning of the college year:

"The futility of 'crying over spilt milk' is proverbial but it is wise always to profit by the lessons of experience and among these, perhaps, not one is driven home with such force as is that one which comes from the consciousness of a lost opportunity. We look back upon thwarted plans and blasted hopes, realizing how indifferent we have been to our advantages, how heedless of the advice of those wiser than we, who told us time after time that some day each one of us would have his chance and that then it would behoove him to be ready.

The just criticism of college men is inspired by the performance of those who went to college without a purpose and who, instead of applying themselves, cultivated idle habits with the idea that the future would take care of itself. Sad indeed is the plight of these men when suddenly thrown on their own resources, but sadder still is the plight of the man who has kept his nose in his book throughout his college career, without taste for the wholesome broadening influence that comes from association with one's fellows.

The college man who realizes his opportunities will keep a fixed purpose before him; he will be faithful to his work, still susceptible to the

charm of agreeable companionship. After he starts out for himself, he will win his way first by his personality and later by his ability, and the sooner he accepts hard, earnest work as what counts, believing that "There is but one philosophy and its name is *Fortitude*," the sooner will he achieve success."

These lines couple with the following poem by John James Ingalls in The Delta of Sigma Nu:

OPPORTUNITY.

Master of human destinies am I!
 Fame, love and fortune on my footsteps wait.
 Cities and fields I walk; I penetrate
 Deserts and seas remote, and passing by
 Hovel and mart, and palace—soon or late,
 I knock unbidden once at every gate!

If sleeping, wake—if feasting—rise before
 I turn away! It is the hour of fate!
 And they who follow me, reach every state
 Mortals desire, and conquer every foe
 Save death, but those who doubt or hesitate,
 Condemned to failure, penury and woe
 Seek me in vain and uselessly implore.
 I answer not, and I return no more.

The Desmos of Delta Sigma Delta:

August—

The Mask of Kappa Psi:

July—

The Shield of Phi Kappa Psi:

August—

The Garnet and White:

September—

The Alpha Tau Omega Palm:

September—

The Phi Chi Fraternity Quarterly:

July—

The Lyre:

July—

The Alpha Phi Quarterly:

*July—*The convention of 1908 is considered in this number from business and social standpoints. An interesting article on "Frances E. Willard".

contains the following paragraphs concerning Miss Willard's relationship with Alpha Phi—and the facts, by the way, justify any amount of Alpha Phi pride in them:

"Early in her career of a public speaker, Miss Willard went to Syracuse to lecture. Some of the Alpha Phis of Alpha Chapter conceived the idea of inviting Miss Willard to become a member of the fraternity, for they felt that her membership would be a great honor to the society. She was a college graduate, and they saw no reason why they should not initiate her, were she willing. When the proposition was made known to Miss Willard, she consented and was regularly initiated into Alpha Chapter, which was then the only chapter of Alpha Phi in existence. She was an honorary member only in the sense that she was initiated after she had graduated and was never connected with any chapter as an active member. Although initiated into Alpha Chapter, she was more closely connected with Beta Chapter on account of her residence in Evanston.

On several occasions she attended Beta Chapter meetings and was always ready to speak a good word for Alpha Phi. Miss Ruth Terry, Beta, '91, to whom I am indebted for information regarding Miss Willard's connection with Alpha Phi, has in her possession an old group picture of Beta Chapter taken about 1887 or 1888, in which Miss Willard occupies the position of honor in the center of the group. Shortly before her death she had her pew in the First Methodist church of Evanston reserved for the use of the Alpha Phi girls in her absence."

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Delta Delta Delta announces the establishment of Delta Alpha Chapter at De Pau University, Greencastle, Indiana, June eighth, nineteen hundred and eight.

The Arch Chapter of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity announces the installation of the Gamma Mu at the University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, on Wednesday, June the seventeenth, nineteen hundred and eight.

Alpha Chi Omega announces the establishment of Omicron Chapter at Baker University, Baldwin, Kansas, September the sixteenth, nineteen hundred and eight.

Chapter Letters

ALPHA.

Greetings for the New School Year:

September first found Alpha Chapter with only five active members back at Lombard. Two of our old girls, Mabel Irwin and Mima Hughes, who were unable to come for all year, were with us during the opening weeks of school. With their help, the end of the rushing season found us with six new pledges of whom we are very proud.

Miss Hortense Stebbins of Stoughton, Wis., Miss Gladys Partridge of Pecatonica, Ill., and Miss Phylis Jones of Galesburg, Ill., were pledged to Alpha Xi Delta September the tenth. Miss Margaret Barrett of Buda, Ill., Miss Amy Cole of Williamsfield, Ill., and Miss Myrtle Landon of Rio, Ill., were pledged Thursday evening, September 17.

On the afternoon of September 3, the Alpha girls were hostesses at a reception given to the new girls at the home of Francis Richey, 817 Beecher Avenue.

Mrs. Harriet B. Dudley charmingly entertained for the new girls at Lombard and the Alpha girls, Tuesday evening, September 1.

Two of our patronesses, Mrs. Bertha Davis Taggart and Mrs. F. S. Bartlett, gave a delightful reception to the new girls September 7.

All of our girls report an enjoyable time during the summer vacation and came back eager and ready for the rushing season.

Mabel Hendel.

BETA.

Dear Sisters:

Beta Chapter sends cordial greetings and best wishes for a successful year to all chapters.

College opened at Wesleyan September fifteenth with the largest enrollment in the history of the school. The Freshman class is especially large and "frat." material is plentiful. Accordingly the rushing season is on and strenuous life has begun. By the Pan-Hellenic agreement, our pledge day is not until the Saturday before Thanksgiving, so we have as yet no new pledges to announce, but our hopes are high and our prospects encouraging. We look forward to a most enthusiastic and successful pledge day.

One of our rushing "stunts" was a spread at the home of May Johnson.

The evening was delightfully informal and we had a good opportunity to get acquainted with the new girls.

On Saturday, September 26, Beta gave its annual Fall Reception at the home of Mrs. Withrow, a patroness of the chapter. About seventy-five guests were present and they were received by Judge and Mrs. Withrow, Mabel Duncan and Leroy Cholson, *Beta Theta Pi*, Elva Patts and Ray Tennant, *Phi Delta Theta*.

It was the first formal event of the season given by any of the fraternities and it proved a great success. The singing of Mrs. Applegate, a patroness, was a delightful feature of the evening. The following two-course menu was served:

Nut Sandwiches	Chicken Salad
Pickle Jelly	Olives
Lemon Ice	
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Brick Ice Cream in Colors	
White Cake	Spiced Cake
Mints	Coffee

The chapter and a number of invited guests were delightfully entertained by Mrs. Applegate recently. Her home being some distance from town, the party was conveyed in automobiles and a merry party it was indeed. A most appetizing luncheon was served by the hostess and a jolly time was had in singing college and Alpha songs.

Here's to successful pledge days for all chapters!

Faternally,

Mabel L. Duncan.

GAMMA.

Dear Sisters:

College opened with seven of the old girls back ready for the many duties which they knew were awaiting them.

Dr. Albert Riker, President of Mt. Union during the past ten years has resigned and will re-enter the ministry. Dr. Riker and his family will be greatly missed in college circles and Alpha Xi Delta sincerely regrets the departure of Marie Riker.

A successor to Dr. Riker has been chosen in the person of Rev. W. H. McMaster of the Embury Methodist church, Brooklyn, N. Y. Mr. McMaster is an alumnus of Mt. Union and will receive a warm welcome from his Alma Mater when he assumes his new duties.

Gamma's rushing season, though brief, was highly satisfactory in its results and we take pleasure in introducing five prospective Alphas: Jessi Garman, Nita Hessen, Lillian Moore, Maude Grove and Bessie Senour. We expect to increase our number still further next term.

On Wednesday evening, September twenty-third, we held an informal reception at the house for the faculty, fraternities and other friends. It is our intention to be at home to our friends one evening each month during the year. We have entertained informally a number of times during the term and are much indebted to our alumnae for the interest they have manifested in our plans and for the loyal assistance which they have rendered.

Gamma sends heartiest greetings to her sister chapters.

K. Olive Bracher, '09.

DELTA.

Dear Sisters:

Nine Delta girls came back this fall filled with enthusiastic plans for rushing and great hopes for a happy and prosperous year.

We all thoroughly enjoyed a short visit from Sisters Nan and Emily Roberts of Carnegie, Pa., the first week of school.

Five of our girls, Catherine Fetty, Mary Gentry Cornett, Edith Mercer, Dollye Houston and Ina Mercer did not return, and we miss them very much.

Every girl is earnest in her desire that this shall be the best year Delta has ever enjoyed.

Our rushing season was a grand success. We succeeded in pledging eight of the best girls in school: Effie Griffith, '09, Alice Stevenson, '09, Garda Bachell, '10, Mildred Stewart, '12, Juanita Greer, '10, Hazel Mercer, '11, Hazel Hannah, '11, and Fern Hannah, '11.

They wore the colors first, Thursday, Oct. 1, in honor of which we were royally entertained at the home of Mrs. Lewis. We all voted it one of the best times we have ever had.

It is sad to think that some of our number will graduate this year, but we realize that school days can't last forever and our girls will be out in the world helping to honor *Alpha Xi Delta*.

The college is in a splendid condition, a good faculty and the enrollment is larger than it has ever been before at the beginning of the year.

Our patroness, Mrs. Blair Miller helps us in many ways. She is to entertain in honor of our pledges soon.

We feel strengthened by our new pledges and can hardly wait until we are all sisters in Alpha Xi Delta. Wishing you all the success in the world, I am,

Faternally yours,

Jessie A. Smith.

EPSILON.

Dear Sisters:

Our girls returning this year have been telling us what a good time they had at the house party at Lake Kampeska this summer. The Misses Tarbell and Miss Sweet visited in Clear Lake after the breaking up of the camp. Several entertainments were given there in their honor, including a breakfast by the Misses Sanborn, and a fanciful "track meet" by the Misses Marquis, at the home of their father, Judge G. H. Marquis.

We have all been very busy since school opened, with our rushing season, which comes at the first of the school year. We had only one local to contend with this year as the other which has existed for the past three years, disbanded last spring. Picnics and spreads formed part of our rushing entertainments.

We are proud to announce the names of our new pledges: Marguerite Sheldon, Bella Parmalee, Lillian Ellis, Violet Marquis and Florence Williams.

As soon as we announced our pledges, we entertained them at an informal party at Julia Sweet's. The jolliest time we have had, however, was a chafing dish spread which we had one night after our regular business meeting. The pledges did all the work and we can recommend them to anyone who desires a cook.

Mary A. Nichols.

ZETA.

Dear Sisters:

College has begun again, bringing its many responsibilities and pleasures as well. With the opening of the new Carnegie Science Hall, at Wittenberg, this year, the increase in attendance is very marked. Ferncliff Hall, the girls' dormitory, is well filled and sorority material is consequently abundant.

Zeta began the year with eight old girls to take up the responsibilities which the fall term always brings.. Now we are proud to introduce to you seven new pledges: Bertha Schuhardt, a Junior of Findley, O., Hortense Miller, Mansfield, O., Gertrude and Helen Keller, Bellefontaine, Eva Garver, Rockford, Ill., Katherine Greenawalt, city, and Manth Lowery, also of the city, whom we pledged at the close of last year.

Zeta can boast of something which we are sure no other chapter has—twins—Helen and Gertrude Keller.

The annual reception for new students, given by the Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. was held September 18th.

The fraternities have been very busy with their rushing. Beta Theta Pi gave a formal reception to the faculty, fraternities and sororities, in

their new home, which was beautifully decorated in golden rod, penants and banners.

Zeta entertained informally with a tea at Lillian Seybold's on Sept. 10th, and shortly afterwards we entertained several girls at Clara Dornblaser's home.

We have heard through our circular letter that several of Zeta's alumnae are coming here for Thanksgiving. This is the time for Zeta's annual reunion and we are looking forward eagerly to this meeting with our sisters. With best wishes for each and every chapter.

Zeta Chapter of Alpha Xi Delta.

ETA.

Dear Alpha Sisters:

We send to you the heartiest greetings and best wishes from Eta for this new year. We hope you may all be successful in every way and that every Alpha Xi Delta may grow in truth and uprightness of heart.

Here in Syracuse, we are all working hard. Our rushing is almost over and we have been unusually fortunate in our Freshmen girls this year. We have seven pledges, every one worthy of even Alpha Xi Delta and we are happy to introduce Miss Evangeline Chadbourne of Syracuse, N. Y., Miss Louise Leonard and Miss Lisle Leonard of Troy, Pa., Miss Ethel Baldwin of Elmira, N. Y., Miss Florence Long of Flemington, Pa., Miss Katherine Harris of Cato, N. Y., and Miss Ruhama Denton, of Silver Springs, N. Y.

We have had a round of simple rushing parties at the chapter house, thinking we would get better acquainted with the new girls than if we had had a few formal affairs.

Cecile Horton-Austin entertained us very prettily at her cozy home on Bellevue Avenue a week ago. She took us on an imaginary trolley ride first, making us guess the streets we passed by questions pinned around on the walls. After that we went to the dining room which was arranged to represent Coney Island. The table was covered with mechanical toys representing people swinging, riding on Ferris wheels, etc., while in the center of the table was a miniature lake with small boats floating about on it. A music box was kept going all the time, which added a great deal to our pleasure. We were served with a regular "Coney lunch—imitation chowder, rolls with "hot dogs" between them and ice cream cones. Afterwards we went to the animal shows in which each one of us acted out an animal for the rest to guess.

One Saturday afternoon we had a delightful tally-ho ride. There were about twenty of us and we drove to Fiddler's Green, a pretty place near Jamesville.

We are now looking forward to our initiation and banquet at the end of this month and are in hopes many of our alumnae may be present to enjoy them with us.

Helen Truair.

THETA.

Dear Alpha Sisters:

Theta Chapter wishes each and every chapter a successful and happy year. Varsity opened October 1, and we found that Theta was so fortunate as to have fourteen members back and four pledges.

For rushing we gave a theater party, taking the girls to see "The Top O' th' World." The town girls presented a farce the first evening we were back, and it was very cleverly performed. Besides these two affairs we entertained our rushees at a picnic, and a driving party. Later our pledges were given a dinner party.

This year all the Freshmen boys had to wear green stamp caps with red buttons and when they met upper classmen, the latter would say: "Caps off, Freshman—thank you; now put them on, press the button and whistle," all of which caused much amusement for every one but the Freshmen concerned.

The rush which came off October 8, was very unexciting. The object is to see which class can put the greatest number of the other class into Lake Mendota. The day was so cold that after the Sophs had ducked a Freshman they would pull him out and the Freshmen did the same by the Sophomore.

Saturday evening, October 17, is the date set for the All-University reception, an annual affair, the object of which, is of course, to have the students become acquainted with some of their fellow students.

Wisconsin won the Lawrence-Wisconsin football game by a score of 35-0. Everyone is looking forward to the Chicago-Wisconsin game which is to be played here November 21, as it is the first game we have had with Chicago for several years.

Dean Cora Woodward has become Mistress of Chadbourne Hall this year.

Frances Albers.

KAPPA.

Dear Sisters in Alpha Xi Delta:

Kappa is in the midst of the most strenuous rushing season of her existence. There are just three more days of it before pledge day and

we hope to have a number of new members to announce in the next issue of the Journal. We have eleven members back in school and three town alumnae, who will remain active during the year. We take pleasure in announcing Ivalon Branch, Eula English and Inez English as our first pledges of the year.

Mrs. Garner gave a small dancing party in honor of Kappa's rushers, the evening of October 2. The guests were taken to the chapter house at the close of the evening to a slumber party. The next day Mrs. Rankin entertained us at a card party and in the evening the upper classmen took the Freshmen to the annual Y. M. C. A. reception. You can see by this short sketch from our program how we are improving the precious moments of the season.

Next Friday evening we will formally open our new chapter house with a dance, at which thirty couples will be present, and the rushing season will thus be ended with a "grand flourish."

Grace Spencer.

LAMBDA.

Dear Sisters:

Lambda sends hearty greetings and best wishes for a successful year.

During the vacation we Lambdas have kept in close touch with each other by means of the "Round Robin," a series of letters.

The loss of our five '08 girls has left us with only twelve active members, but we are active in every sense of the word.

We have been unusually busy with rushing this year, owing to the fact that we are bound by the Pan-Hellenic rules not to pledge before October the fifteenth, a month from Registration day.

Several of the girls have held spreads for the Freshmen in their rooms, and the alumnae girls who live near have been very generous in giving teas and entertaining in various ways.

One big rush party, which was held at the beautiful home of Annie R. McCoy, was a great success. Unique games were played and Miriam S. Carleton, '08, sang. An elaborate spread was the main feature.

This year the Senior class elected Annie R. McCoy on the Classday committee, and Ethel Aiken was elected on the Executive committee. Alta L. Smith was re-elected secretary of the Junior class, and Andrey L. Duffey is vice-president of the Sophomore class.

We are glad to welcome back Estella E. Butterfield, who, on account of her mother's death, was obliged to leave us last year.

Fraternally,

Elsie May Chandler.

MU.

Dear Sisterss

With the dawn of another September Mu chapter feels keenly the loss of the June graduates. They have left us in a somewhat weakened condition, as at present we number but ten active members. Seven of these are old girls, however, and for this we are particularly thankful. We feel that our deficiency in numbers is well balanced by a hearty enthusiasm which will aid us in carrying on the work of Alpha Xi Delta..

Mu chapter has every hope of prosperity for the coming year and our material aims so far have culminated in a new chapter room. We secured the room formally occupied by Kappa Kappa Gamma, when their increasing numbers demanded more space. The room is gradually assuming a cozy and comfortable air and is a source of great pleasure and satisfaction to the girls. Thru the kindness and generosity of Georgia Belle Elwell, Mu chapter was presented with a mission desk. Each of the girls donated a framed picture or a piece of bric-a-brac, so that we now feel that Mu chapter has a real home.

The Cane rush between the Sophomores and Freshmen, September 23, '08, was legalized by President Northrup this year. The Sophomores were the victors amid great excitement.

September 30, '08, was an occasion for Minnesota to celebrate, for it marked the 74th birthday of President Northrup, also his 47th wedding anniversary, and his 24th year as president of the institution. The students met in a body in chapel, where the president of the Senior class conducted the program of the day.

Mu chapter sends to all her Alpha Xi Delta sisters, best wishes and hopes for a prosperous year.

Leila F. MacDermott.

NU.

Dear Alpha Xi Delta Sisters:

Nu chapter sends greetings to all her Alpha sisters and wishes them a happy and prosperous year. After a very pleasant vacation, our girls are back at work again, and are hoping to make this year an excellent one in every respect.

The first week in July we had a very pleasant evening at the home of Ethel Latham at Alki Point, in honor of Mrs. Lynch, nee MacNamara, who was married in June.

Adelaide Fischer entertained with a luncheon at her home in honor of Frances Sanborne just before her departure for Boston, where she was married on September 5, to Mr. R. Wilson. About fifteen of the

girls were present and presented the bride-to-be with a set of Alpha Xi Delta spoons.

Summer rushing is prohibited by the local Pan-Hellenic, but a girl can be pledged as soon as she is registered. For these reasons the first week of school is a very busy one in the Greek world at Washington. The programme for Alpha Xi Delta for that week was as follows: Monday, September 24, luncheon at the chapter house, covers laid for twenty. Chafing dish party in the evening, also at the house. Tuesday, tea in the afternoon and informal dance at the house in the evening. Wednesday, box party to the matinee at the Grand Opera House. Thursday, card party at the home of Alice Murchlson on Capitol Hill. Friday, formal Lavendar dinner party at the chapter house. Covers were laid for thirty. Saturday, breakfast at the home of Marion Wrigley, Alpha, on Queen Anne Hill.

Nu is to be congratulated on having pledged five lovely Freshman girls, who, owing to the new faculty ruling, cannot be initiated until the second Semester, but who, we are sure, will develop into excellent Alpha girls.

Lela K. Parker.

XI.

Dear Sisters:

Xi chapter takes this opportunity to express to all Alpha sisters her sincere appreciation of their hearty messages of welcome. Don't think for an instant that because they came to us along with all the other "good things," they were not appreciated.

Jane Wanless, '08, who was ill at the time of our installation, came to Lexington, Thursday, the twenty-fourth of September, to make us a visit and be initiated into the mysteries of Alpha Xi Delta. She was initiated Saturday night, September twenty-sixth. After the initiation we entertained for her with an informal "spread."

Since our installation we have been very busy rushing. We have given several informal rushing parties, the most pretentious of these was a hayride to Russel Cave and a visit to "Camp Augustus E. Wilson."

Three weeks ago Xi began her campaign in earnest and as a gratifying result we are able to report four pledges, Edwin Porch, '12, Somerset, Kentucky; Helen Dickey, '12, Richwood, Kentucky; Iva Belle Boreing, '11, London, Kentucky, and Lenora Barnar, '12, Barboursville, Kentucky. They are splendid girls and we believe we have every reason to congratulate ourselves.

Lida Jones.

BOSTON ALUMNAE.

Dear Girls:

Boston Alumnae has been very inactive since the last letter to you. Of course, it is to be expected, as we discontinue our meetings during the summer months, and we are so widely separated, it is hard to see one another.

Our first meeting for the season usually comes the last Saturday of September, but we could not meet this time, because Lambda's rush party to the girls of the Freshman class came on that evening. As many of the alumnae as can, are always glad to avail ourselves of that opportunity to meet the new girls on the Hill, and to form some idea as to which of them we would like Lambda to invite to become our sisters.

We are pleased that this year two of our girls are teaching much nearer Boston than they were before. Ella Bowker, '05, is teaching in Rockland and Georgiana Clark, '04, in North Abington, Mass. They can now attend our alumnae meetings.

We shall meet in October with Betsey Harmon-Lowe, '04.

Boston Alumnae wishes each Alpha Xi Delta sister a happy and prosperous year.

Laila Campbell Nye.

Engagements

ETA.

The engagement of Lena G. Baldwin, '06, to Mr. Ernest F. Fox, Cornell, '05, has been announced.

The engagement of Nan Prussia, '06, to Mr. James Harvey Payne of Wilmington, N. C., was recently announced.

Theta.

Theta announces the engagement of Mary McRae, '06, to Dr. Richards of Rhineland, Wis.

Marriages

Alpha.

The marriage of Miss Gertrude Rich, of Galesburg, Illinois, to Mr. Charles Justus Simmons, of Stockton, Illinois, occurred in Los Angeles, August 19th.

Beta.

Mildred Brady, '08, was married to Mr. Herbert C. Mershon, *Beta Theta Pi*, on September 3, 1908.

Gamma.

August 20th, Anna Laura Jones, '05, to Lawrence E. Yaggi, *Sigma Alpha Epsilon*, W. R. U. '05; and Elsie M. Jones, '06, to Carl Leroy Stooksbury, *Sigma Alpha Epsilon*, Mt. Union, '06.

September 16th, Alice Pearl Motz, ex-'10, to Mr. Arthur Miller.

October 21st, Grace Louise Newhouse, '01, of Louisville, Ohio, to Dr. Henry K. Yaggi, *Sigma Alpha Epsilon*, W. R. U., '06. of Cleveland, Ohio.

October 21, Blanche May Wadsworth, ex-'07, to Mr. Arthur Morris, *Sigma Alpha Epsilon*, Mt. Union '05, W. R. U. '08, at Alliance, Ohio.

Epsilon.

Miss Genevive May Ochsner was united in marriage to Mr. Fred Griswold, on October fourteenth, at the bride's home in Kimball, South Dakota.

Zeta.

Sylvia Maude Bushey to Mr. Norman Noel Ruckman on September 16th, at Shiloh, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Ruckman are now living at Mt. Gilead, Ohio.

Eta.

Gertrude Wright, '06, to Mr. James Elmer Gilmour, *Delta Upsilon*, Union, on August 12.

Laura Myers, ex-'09, to Mr. S. Arthur Davenport on September 8.

Margaret Chamberlayne, ex-'10, to Mr. William H. Alderman, Cornell, '07, on September 23.

Nu.

Frances Sanborne to Mr. R. Wilson, *Alpha Tau Omega*, in Boston, September 5.

Rosalie MacNamara to Mr. John Lynch, June 30.

Births

Gamma.

Born to Dr. and Mrs. Wilbur Holtz (Fern Fogle, '99) a daughter, Elizabeth Fern, on August second, Pittsburg, Pa.

Eta.

A son, Edwin, was born to Mr. and Mrs. George Hastings (Susie Couch), at Yonkers, N. Y., on September 24.

Lambda.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Horace W. Fernald, (Anadine Hoyt), a daughter, in August.

Personals

ALPHA.

Miss Florence Innes is teaching school near Bardolf, Illinois, this winter.

Miss Aileen Thompson has gone for a visit among relatives and friends at Springfield, Illinois.

Miss Grace Cook is teaching in the High school at Benton Harbor, Michigan.

Mrs. Edna Epperson-Brinkman of Chicago, visited relatives and friends in Rio and Galesburg.

The wedding of Miss Gertrude Rich to Mr. Charles Justus Simmons occurred at Los Angeles, Aug. 19. Miss Beth Nash, Lambda, acted as bridesmaid and Willis H. Rich, brother of the bride, stood with the groom. The Rev. Dr. C. Ellwood Nash of the Universalist church, performed the ceremony. The young couple will reside in Stockton, Ill.

Bessie, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Orrin Evans, of Monmouth, died suddenly of diphtheria, September 8th.

Miss Florence Kober returned from her trip abroad September 2nd.

BETA.

Peryl Mathews of Winfield, visited the chapter a few days recently and attended the annual Fall Reception. We were very glad to have her with us again.

Elna Patts and Effie Peden, two former pledges, are at Wesleyan again this year.

The wedding of Mildred Brady, one of our last year's Seniors, to Mr. Herbert C. Mershan, occurred at her home in Richland, September 3rd. It was a very quiet home wedding, only the immediate relatives being present. Mr. and Mrs. Mershan are now living in Chicago, where the former has a splendid position.

Helen Coe, who was graduated from Wesleyan last year, is teaching in the Muscatine schools.

Myrtle Lauer will spend the year studying music in Chicago.

Maud Maiken has gone with Luella Hightshae to Sturgis, S. D., where they both have positions in the High school.

Ina Duncan has returned to Toledo where she teaches English in the High school.

Elizabeth Lauer spent a few days with us lately and attended the reception.

GAMMA.

Marie Riker, '11, has entered Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, Ohio.

Mabel Hartzell, '05, is visiting at Chattanooga, Tenn.

Elois Patton-McKnight visited friends in Alliance, and attended the Vadsworth-Morris wedding.

Grace Darrow, '05, has returned to Pueblo, Colo., and resumed her position in the High school.

Nancy Copeland is teaching at Newton Falls this year, but expects to return to Mt. Union next year.

Lucille Strong, '08, is teaching Mathematics and Latin in the High school at Columbiana, Ohio.

Mabel R. Heckler was awarded the Harley Stamp prize in German at the Commencement exercises in June.

Mary and Olive Bracher were at Oberlin, O., Saturday, October 24, to see the Oberlin-Case football game.

EPSILON.

Clara Salmer has returned from Norway where she spent the summer.

Grace Sanborn has caught the "claim" fever and has gone out West to live. For diversion she expects to teach a neighboring school.

Helen Frasee is tutor in pianoforte ensemble this year.

Margaret Miller paid us a short visit last week. She reports a very pleasant experience in her teaching thus far.

Alice Brenne is teaching in Sioux City again this year.

ZETA.

Elizabeth Sudhoff is a Sophomore at Earlham, this year.

Lois Miller is attending the University of Louisville at her home.

ETA.

Miss Elizabeth Loetzer is teaching this year at Sayre, N. Y.

Miss Lucile Thornton, '10, has had to remain at home this year on account of her health. We hope to see her back next year.

On August twelfth, nineteen hundred and eight occurred the marriage of Gertrude E. Wright to Elmer Gilmour. The bride is a graduate

of Syracuse University in the class of 1906, and is a member of Alpha Xi Delta. Mr. Gilmour attended Union College and is a member of Delta Upsilon. Eta girls present at the wedding were Eva Elliott, Leila Eysamen, Louise Hopkins and Hazel Algie Bailey. Mr. and Mrs. Gilmour are living in Bradford, Pa.

Another of Eta's girls, Laura Myers, ex-'09, was married on the eighth of September, at her home in Kingston, Pa., to Mr. S. Arthur Davenport. Besides the bride, there were only two other Eta girls present, Miss Lucy Graham and Miss Mirand Myers, one of the bridesmaids. Mr. and Mrs. Davenport went to the New England States on their wedding trip. They are now at home to their friends at 50 Jeanette St., Plymouth, Pa.

Miss Theresa Loben, '05, is teaching in the Syracuse High school.

Miss Edith Warne, ex-'09, has been traveling extensively in Europe during the summer with her mother. Her father, Bishop Warne of India, will join them this fall and they will all go to their home in Luchnow, India. Edith does not intend to return to this country for eight years, and we shall miss her so much.

Margaret Chamberlayne, an Alpha Xi Delta in the class of 1910, was married on September twenty-third, to Mr. William H. Alderman, Cornell, '08. The ceremony was performed by the bride's father, Rev. D. O. Chamberlayne, in the church of which he is the pastor, at Osceola, Pa. Of the six bridesmaids, two were Eta girls, Lena Baldwin and Lucille Thornton. Martha Hutchings-McKean was the only other Alpha Xi Delta present. Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the bride's home. Mr. and Mrs. Alderman went via the Great Lakes to the West on their wedding journey, and since their return, have been living in Geneva, N. Y.

THETA.

Louise Erb, '08, is teaching Latin and German in the Phillips (Wisconsin) High School.

Florence Simon, who is teaching History at Poynette Academy, spent a Sunday with us recently.

Nell Angell, '07, Elizabeth Erb, '07, and Lenore Henderson, '06, have all spent a week end with us since our return.

Una Reardon and Florence McKae, both of Rhinelander, Wis., who were at Milwaukee Downer College last year, have returned to the Varsity for their Junior year.

Ruth Strong of Lake Mills, who has been out of the Varsity for two years on account of her mother's illness, has resumed her work here this year.

Monday evening, October 12, we initiated three fine girls, Patsy Chave,

a Freshman from Tomahawk, Wis., Leora Vail, a Junior, from Benton, Wis., and Agnes Davis, a Freshman, from Madison.

Molly Wright, a pledge, is not able to take work "on the hill" this year because of the poor health of her mother.

Miss Field, our chaperone, is with us again after having spent a very pleasant vacation abroad.

We have our chapter house filled this year, which is very pleasant for all of us.

Winefrid Ryan spent Sunday with Florence Simon at Poynette Academy.

Lulu Runge, '05, is with us taking post graduate work.

KAPPA.

Winifred Campbell, ex-'08, has charge of the History department in the Urlana High school.

Iris Wood, ex-'08, is employed in the biological survey at the University of Illinois.

Nellie Branch, '07, is teaching in the Port Byron public school.

Marian Bell, '05, is working for her Doctor's Degree at Bryn Mawr.

Eva Rule is taking a special gymnasium course at Macomt Normal school.

Grace Spencer, '08, received a scholarship in chemistry at the University of Illinois.

Maud Willard, ex-'08, is teaching Household Science in the Belvidere public school.

Edenia Hunt, ex-'11, is teaching Physical Training.

Carrie Rule, '10, is secretary of the Pan-Hellenic this year.

Gertrude Edbrook is recovering from a serious illness at a sanatorium in Chicago.

LAMBDA.

Alice Cumings, ex-'05, is teaching German at Lindenhurst, Long Island, N. Y.

Amy Richards, '08, is teaching in the High school at Hardwick, Vt.

Lena Abbe, '01, has a very fine position in the Fall River, Mass., High school.

Miriam Carleton, '08, has entered the New England Conservatory of Music in Boston.

Irene McCoy, '02, has been re-elected National Treasurer of the Daughters of Veterans.

Lucie Gardner, '97, toured the Eastern states with an orchestra last summer. She played at forty-four concerts.

MU.

The Alumnae of Mu are widely scattered. Fannie Gordineer is principal at the Caledonia, Minnesota, High school, Ella Halvorson is teaching in the High school at White Hall, Montana, Florence Jones is at Zumbrota, Minn., and Vinnie Hitchings at Mazeppa, Minn.

Laura Benz is taking post graduate work at the University.

Mina Schaetzel, Mary Shiely, Alice Melony and Elsie Lathrop are spending the year at home.

Marjorie Thompson has entered a college at Ipsalantic, Michigan and is preparing herself for a teacher of French, German and English.

Georgia Elwell and Ruth McNamee are taking the Domestic Science course at the University of Minn.

Nellie Cadwell is studying Elocution at North Western University.

NU.

Marion Wrigley of Alpha chapter has been a great inspiration to our girls here and since her return from a visit East in the early summer, has taken an active interest in all our plans.

Myrtle Parr, '08, is Science teacher in the High school at Sunnyside, Wash.

Alice Marchison, '09, has spent the past summer in Alaska.

Mabel Spry, Beta, is taking work in the University this year. Nu certainly appreciates her enthusiastic interest in its affairs.

May Chambers, '08, is teaching in the High school at Port Angeles, Wash.

Dorothy Mason, '11, spent the summer at "The Cedars," her summer home at Eagle Harbor.

Madie Willimann, '07, is teaching again at Kirkland, Wash.

Mae MacLochlan, '08, is assistant in Pharmacy at the University this winter.

Frances Sanborn-Wilson, '08, is residing in Washington, D. C.

Pearl Gilkey, '07, is teaching at Linden, Wash.

Dorothy Drake, '11, enjoyed a summer at the sea coast, at her summer home on Vashon Island.

Ethel Everett is instructing in the South Bellingham schools this winter.

Lela Parker, '09, spent a few weeks camping in the Olympics during the past summer.

Rosalia MacNamara-Lynch is living in North Yakima, Wash.

Lillian Esary, '10, is not in school this year, but is spending her time in La Conner, her home town.

Olive Mueller, '10, has gone East for a pleasure trip through Colorado. She will return some time in November.

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The Chapter House And Its Effect On The Fraternity.*

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THE college fraternity has had three pretty distinct periods of existence and its meeting place during each of those periods has been a fair index to the status of the organization.

The first period was marked by profound secrecy on the part of the fraternity, and bitter opposition on the part of the faculty and the public. The meeting place was a student's room; not infrequently it was a protected nook in the woods, or more often a cellar under some dormitory, reached through a trap door in the floor of a devoted member's room. The badge or insignia, when worn at all, was pinned to the inside of the vest-pocket and every evidence of membership was sacredly guarded because knowledge of this fact was sure to result in expulsion or some other form of severe discipline. Every act of the fraternity was shrouded in mystery—a most alluring characteristic to the college youth, and most horrifying to the faculty and public.

Under such circumstances a half-dozen of the older fraternities were born and maintained a precarious existence between the years 1827 and 1832. Hampered in this way they could do little more than live. But, as opposition always strengthens the ties of those opposed, some of the truest college friendships were formed during this period, and a foundation was laid for better things.

The brilliant, aggressive, intrepid young men of those days were naturally drawn to the fraternity because of the very spice

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of the adventure. Later, many of these same men became members of college faculties. They knew the fraternity from the inside and saw no special harm in it. They had drawn its constitution and by-laws, which for the most part breathed devotion to lofty sentiments and high ideals. Naturally enough, the hostility of the faculty, when it was re-enforced by a sprinkling of these men, began to relax and the fraternity passed into its second stage of existence—toleration.

During this period a room was frequently hired over a downtown store. This was the meeting place. Some of the earliest "chapter halls" were erected at this time. Architecturally they are peculiar buildings and resemble jails or arsenals quite as much as dwellings. The double purpose of admitting light and preventing eaves-dropping—for the secrets of the fraternity were still supposed to be worth knowing—was accomplished by placing windows very high on the side walls or even on the roof. The pin, or insignia, came out of its hiding place in the pocket.

Finally the advantage of closer association among the members was recognized and the relative unimportance of the secrets admitted—at least tacitly. Then it was that the fraternity entered upon the third and present stage of its development. It bought or rented a dwelling house, frequently installed the entire undergraduate membership therein, and began the regular family life that has characterized it for the past quarter of a century. It is as private but scarcely more secret than any other family. It is with this third period, the chapter-house as a home, that this paper is chiefly concerned.

Has this home life—which has undoubtedly come to stay—been beneficial or harmful to the fraternity as a whole and to its individual members? Let us see. To gather facts for an intelligent answer to this question a circular letter was addressed to members of eleven different fraternities, and to the presidents, deans and registrars of numerous leading universities.

One hundred and thirty-two answers were received to the question—"What are the chief benefits of student life in the chapter-house?"

The answers are varied, but a vast majority mention inti-

mate and lasting friendship. To show the general sentiment a few may be read.

First, from the students:

"Subordination of selfish and personal interests to the general good."

"Close fellowship and sense of chapter responsibility."

"Executive work in management of fraternity."

"Sense of responsibility placed upon upperclassmen."

From the presidents and deans:

"Means of reaching students in matters of discipline."

"A good chapter-house is a fair substitute for home life."

"Oversight by older men—especially by young graduates."

"Comradeship, co-operation, group tradition and responsibility; fairly good board and room."

"College loyalty."

"Good manners; close friendship with some men worth knowing; national fraternity better than local clique; experience in handling business affairs and avoiding collective disgrace."

Now let us look at the other side. One hundred and forty-eight answers were received to the question—"What are the chief dangers to be guarded against in the chapter-house?"

One hundred and ten, or seventy-five per cent., placed waste of time first. Other answers are scattering but interesting.

From students:

"Serious dissipation where sense of chapter honor and responsibility for chapter good name are lacking."

"Temptation to rink, gamble and indulge in the social evil pretty strong when the crowd inclines that way."

"Smoking, playing cards and telling coarse stories for two or three hours at a stretch."

"Snobbishness, particularly in underclassmen, shown in emphasizing fraternal spirit to detriment of college loyalty."

"Running into debt, over-exclusiveness, snobbishness and misconduct."

"Growth of clannishness and fraternity selfishness and consequent loss of college spirit; control by sporty element; freedom from restraint."

"Non-observance of 'house-rules'."

"Exclusiveness and extravagance."

From presidents and deans:

Waste of time; dissipation of energy; clannishness, the evils of politics."

"Too much of a good time and its results."

"Loafing, contamination of crowd by dissolute members; vicious and vulgar conversation; false and cheap ideals of being men of the world; moral cynicism."

"Clannishness; house degenerating into a loafing place; undertaking cause of poor student and securing concessions, if possible; feeling of independence of university restraint socially."

"Danger of being drawn into narrow, selfish and shallow interests and thus losing the larger, more democratic influence of the college as a whole."

"Bad society and exclusiveness."

"Over-emphasis of social life; lack of responsible executive to carry out house-rules."

"The low intellectual tone—when uninfluenced by alumni—tends to pass from generation to generation."

"Cultivation of social, athletic and snobbish attitude, and general lack of seriousness."

"Substitution of social life for hard study."

"Laziness."

It becomes very apparent after reading all these letters that there are benefits and there are dangers. But whatever the benefits and dangers, we may be sure of one thing. The fraternity is here to stay and whether it grows better or worse will depend upon our treatment of it.

Legislators and other enemies who would destroy it by statute might just as well acknowledge—what all history proves—that wherever men are drawn together into large bodies, as they are in the modern universities, they are sure to break up into smaller groups. This being true and inevitable, we are bound to have the fraternity or some similar organization.

It is acknowledged at Princeton—where the fraternity, as such, has been successfully suppressed—that these "similar organizations," clubs and cliques, have all of the disadvantages and lack many of the advantages of the fraternity.

That it is here to stay is proven by the fact that it has grown in less than a century from a despised institution with a handful of outlaws into a respected institution with a membership, graduate and undergraduate, of over 186,000. It counts among its numbers presidents and vice-presidents, senators and congressmen, federal and state judges of supreme courts, and thousands of men high in law, medicine, the ministry, teaching and business.

Most of these men are devoted to the old home. This home has many cherished memories and in a material way it represents much valuable property. The taxable assets of a single chapter are, not infrequently, more valuable than the total endowment of some of our good colleges forty years ago. Nearly one thousand chapters own, or rent, and furnish seven hundred houses. These houses are the homes of eighteen thousand of our most promising young men for nine months of each year. In the last quarter of a century the membership has trebled and the number of chapter-houses has increased over fifty per cent.

Any organization that is wholly bad—as many of its enemies believe the fraternity to be—cannot flourish in this manner. “There is nothing that succeeds like success,” and with this splendid growth behind the fraternity it is as idle for its enemies to talk of rooting it out, by legislation or otherwise, as it is idle to talk of rooting out the blades of grass in the Mississippi Valley. The fraternity is as much a fixture in the university as the university itself is a fixture in the community. Its problems are the university’s problems, for the most part, and the university’s problems are its problems. Why not accept it, therefore, as a permanent factor in college life, study its problems sympathetically and scientifically, and make it in every case what it is in some cases—a power for good?

One of these problems which belong to both the university and the fraternity is the decline of scholarship. To prove that there has been a decline an effort was made to gather statistics at two points of time—1886 and 1906. The effort was not altogether successful, for while the figures for the later period were easily secured, those for the earlier were not easily procurable and not complete enough to be entirely reliable. But

they do point to two conclusions with considerable certainty.

The first is that *scholarship is declining and social life rising in the fraternities.*

The second is that *this change is going on much more rapidly in the West than in the East.*

The first tendency is shown by the fact that twenty years ago the five following college interests stood in the order here named:

- Scholarship,
- Oratory and Debate,
- Literary distinction,
- Athletic honors,
- Social mention.

(These five are taken because they stand out prominently in all the reports and records.)

The relative place that these interests now hold in the minds of fraternity men is quite reversed, as the following figures show:

Social distinction	308
Athletic honors	289
Literary distinction	153
Scholarship	124
Oratory and Debate	77

In other words, of the mention in college publications which fraternity men think it worth while to make of themselves and their achievements to-day, nearly 33 1-3 per cent. is social distinction and less than 13 per cent. is honors in scholarship.

Or to put in another way, out of every 951 times that fraternity men deliberately call attention to their activities as things worthy of special consideration, 308 are social, 289 athletic, 153 literary, 124 scholarship and 77 public speaking.

The "mention" in these publications that was taken to indicate "scholarship" is Phi Beta Kappa, Sigma Xi, and special prizes and honorable mention in economics, history, language and in a few cases, mathematics.

It is not contended here that possession of Phi Beta Kappa is an unfailing indication of scholarship. By no means. It is

frequently and truthfully remarked that the P. B. K. man is often a mere book-worm and is lost sight of promptly after Commencement. But it is contended that the men who stand well up in their classes are the ones who, as a rule, are obtaining the best mental discipline. And it is contended, further, that mental discipline is more essential to-day than ever before. The problems in legislation, in the legal profession, in engineering and other technical lines, call for trained minds.

Of course, if one takes the ground that mere getting and spending constitutes success in life then the above observations do not hold good, and it is to be feared that too many of our young men do take this ground. The "smart" fraternity man, especially, refers contemptuously to the good student as a "shark" and a "grind," as though it were almost a disgrace to do one's work well. He sees that good scholars frequently earn but one hundred dollars a month while clever rascals with little or no education make millions. Why should he study? But this paper takes the higher ground that the college man, because of his peculiar advantages, owes something to somebody besides himself. He is not succeeding if he is merely taking ad-vantage of the weaker members of society in order that he may gain the means with which to satisfy his appetite and passions. Such an ideal ought to be distinctly beneath the college man, and the fraternity has the best possible opportunity to impress this fact upon his mind.

The second tendency mentioned above, namely, that this change is taking place more rapidly in the West than in the East, is shown by the following figures:

	Eastern.	Western.
Social mention	106	202
Athletic honors	142	147
Scholarship	102	22
Literary distinction	71	76
Oratory and debate	69	8

A possible explanation of this second tendency is found in the fact that the Eastern fraternity had well established traditions twenty years ago, when part of the statistics were gathered

which lead to the above conclusion, and these traditions demanded among other things good scholarship. Every chapter had a record to maintain, whereas the Western chapter fell heir to no such legacy.

It ought to be mentioned at this point that interest in debate and oratory in Western universities is probably greater than ever before but, as the figure 8 for the Western chapters shows, the honors are no longer going to fraternity men.

In the last twelve years but one fraternity man has represented the University of Minnesota in an intercollegiate oratorical contest, and but five in intercollegiate debate although twenty-one such honors have been awarded in the former and eighty-one in the latter. Eighteen years ago the fraternity men were taking all the honors in this line.

It may be worth while to mention a single case in connection with scholarship—since it is now under discussion. The secretary's records show that but two fraternity men were admitted to Phi Beta Kappa in 1905 at the University of Minnesota and not one in 1906 or 1907, although a total of 44 men were so honored in the last three years. Two is 4.5 per cent. of 44—not a large percentage of honors for the fraternity men to gather in, surely.

This is not because the fraternities at Minnesota have a poorer grade of men than other Western universities have. Exact figures are not at hand to prove this point, but I am confident that such is not the case. Nor is it because fraternity men have not the capacity for scholarship. As a rule, they have the advantage of brains, wealth (sometimes too much) and social polish when they come to the university.

They simply lack the desire for scholarship because we, the alumni, have failed to hold up before our younger brothers the fact that scholarship is one of the things for which a man comes to college.

Of course, we can pass the matter by and say complaisantly that "we do not care for Phi Beta Kappa. It is an empty honor anyhow. We are getting things of greater value." But will parents continue to believe us indefinitely? Will the public—whose good opinion we covet because we want its best young

men—will the public believe us? Will it not think this is another case of “sour grapes?”

Whether we think it a wise or unwise policy to call attention to this fact we may be sure that it will not long escape notice by the ambitious young men who come to our universities. Such things have an unpleasant way of “leaking out.” The safest way for us is not to try to conceal a bit of damaging evidence, but admit it frankly and then promptly adopt a policy that will eliminate it.

Admitting that there has been a decline, it is important but difficult to name all the causes. Let us look for a moment at two or three.

It is believed by many who have studied this problem, and whose opinions are worthy of respect, that the decline in scholarship and consequent rise of lighter substitutes is due in part to the *absence of personal and daily contact between student and instructor, and in part to the unlimited introduction of electives and culture courses.*

Is it not possible that a third and contributory cause of the decline in scholarship is found in the modern chapter-house, which furnishes such a comfortable home-life among congenial spirits and offers such abundant opportunity for dissipation of time and energy?

At any rate we have a problem in the decline, and the question arises as to whether the modern fraternity, through its chapter-house system, can assist the university in solving it, for at least this one of the university's problems is the fraternity's problem.

To determine this the question was asked, in the circular letter referred to,—

“What does the present-day fraternity need most in order to be of the greatest service to its members?” The answers are all worth perusal. We have space for but a few of them.

From presidents and deans:

“A return to the best traditions of the early days of fraternities and a recognition of other present-day responsibilities by themselves and the governing bodies of institutions.”

"More breadth of view, less of the spirit of clique and exclusiveness."

"A quickening of the earlier literary interest; a larger sense of the primacy of college over fraternity interests—or rather of the dependence of fraternity interests on a wholesome college life."

"First, simplicity of living; second, the intellectual element thrust to the front in the weekly meetings of the chapter; third, a high sense of honor and moral ideals which would lead to the ejection of an unworthy member."

"Active interest and a sense of responsibility on the part of resident alumni. There is too much loafing in the chapter parlors; there is almost no serious conversation; the men as a whole do not study enough and have not serious ideals."

"Higher ideals of what constitutes manliness; a better and more serious notion of the effects of beer and tobacco on future effectiveness; a higher regard for the value of time; a rigid scholarship committee in the university which will not hesitate to send home all who do not do a man's work."

"Right kind of undergraduate headship to insure a healthy moral tone and to exalt ideals of work; friendly comradeship and oversight on the part of faculty and other alumni members; wise but vigilant supervision by the university authorities."

Intelligent sympathy on the part of college officers, and close relations between active and graduate members."

"Attention of their alumni."

"Progress along the lines which mark its development for the last twenty-five years and a fuller realization that the prosperity of the fraternity is one with the institution in which it is situated."

"The effective influence of alumni members. Undergraduates yield to temptation to enjoy the 'house.' They need the stimulus of resident graduates and of earnest and scholarly upperclassmen."

To be represented more generally in all departments of college life, by the best men, of course, in each kind of work.

"To keep more closely in touch with faculty affairs and support the best interests of college."

"To become more a part of the university."

From students:

"Better ideals. Fraternities are too often exclusively dancing and smoking clubs."

"More true, unselfish, good fellows and less of the men who make success pure and simple their aim."

"Strong men with old-fashioned ideals of college life and work; less of the feeling of smartness and fast life of a fraternity; the inculcation of principles of purity and earnest purpose."

"Individuality of members; the fraternity is now too much a mill through which all men are ground out after the same pattern."

"In general, a man's scholarship may deteriorate as a result of the chapter-house, but he gains something intangible, vastly more valuable."

"Better men—men of strong personality and firm principles. There is here too much effort to get good-fellowship and harmony at the expense of anything and everything else."

A definite standard of excellence in all branches of college activity with a system of alumni and upperclassmen supervision to keep the undergraduate body as far as possible up to the standard set."

"More unity in national fraternity and more attention to ideals just now; we are becoming commonplace and losing all sense of dignity and high purpose."

"Strict adherence to a policy embodying high ideals, cultivating friendship between all fraternity men; a policy disapproving of under-hand and base methods—which must weaken the men who permit such things; an aggressive policy of mental improvement to its members and the university or college, and in making the fraternity a greater factor for good in the development of men and of our national life."

"To be let alone."

Several things become apparent to one who reads all these responses. The fraternity chapter-house is a potent factor for good or for evil. Whether it develops into the one or the other depends upon how it is handled. The fact that the answers are so frequently diametrically opposed shows that conditions vary

widely in different chapters of the same fraternity and proves that no man can safely judge a fraternity as a whole who knows but a single chapter in a single university.

The advantages pointed out and now being enjoyed in many chapter houses by scores of young men leave no room for doubt as to the benefits, while, on the other hand, the frank statements of corresponding secretaries as to the dangers and disadvantages prove just as conclusively that the chapter-house may be a serious menace to the best interests of many young men.

Again, these open answers by young men who knew, pointing out the dangers and defects of their own homes, show clearly that any one who attempts to solve this problem scientifically—without any hobby to ride or any preconceived notion to carry out, who is willing to find the facts and apply the remedy—will have cordial co-operation. With few exceptions there is no attempt at evasion or concealment of conditions; the answers come like blows straight from the shoulder. It is evident that the chapters which are going wrong are not as a whole wedded to their weakness. Most of the men in them would welcome reform if it were brought about at the right time and in the right way.

The fact, then, that the chapter-house is a force for evil as well as for good ought to discourage no true reformer. The further fact that some chapters have gone wrong and have died a violent death in their own sins or have had their charters revoked is no valid argument against the fraternity system or the modern chapter-house. Every factor in civilization—the church not excepted—is open to the same criticism.

It is not contended here that the fraternity can accomplish the impossible, but that it can do in every chapter what it is now doing in the best. It can, for example.

1. Prevent a man of studious habits from becoming a mere grind, a bookworm, a recluse, by forcing him out into society.
2. It can prevent a man of strong social inclination from wasting time to the detriment of his mental development.
3. It can tone up a boy of good mind but slovenly habits and tone down a dude and prevent him from becoming the laughing-stock of sensible people.

4. It can prevent vulgar language, coarse manners and loafing in the chapter-house; and dishonesty and immorality everywhere as things unworthy a Greek-letter man.

5. It can hold in check a young man of strong appetite and passions until the danger point is passed—until he has developed sufficient strength of character to resist temptation.

6. It can reach down a helping hand to a hard-working, honest student who needs help and lift him up.

7. In short, it can keep constantly before its men the desirability of a well-rounded, symmetrical life.

It can do all these things and many more. In fact, what the well-organized, well-regulated fraternity can do with its men in four years is almost incredible to the outsider, because the outsider does not realize the tremendous hold that the fraternity gets upon its men. The boys are gathered together on the basis of similar tastes and ideals, when the rushing is properly done. Their constant association soon makes of them the closest friends. In a short time they would infinitely rather disgrace themselves than their fraternity brothers and their organization. Many a boy, when he feels quite alone, unobserved and responsible to no one but himself—as he not infrequently does in a big city—will take risks that he would not think of taking when his fraternity brothers are involved. The danger of losing his best friends and the bitterness of a censure from an upperclassman whom he loves and admires are a sufficient check.

Such a fraternity receives into its ranks an undeveloped boy and sends forth, four years later, a man of poise, polish and not infrequently power.

But some one says this is an ideal—a condition impossible of attainment. Not at all. It now exists in the best chapters of the best fraternities. All that is contended here is that all the chapters can be made as good as the best.

Of those who expressed an opinion on the desirability of a return to ideals which demand better scholarship 81 per cent. agree that it is needed as a foundation upon which to rest culture and success in life, and they further agree that the reformation of the fraternity must come through the co-operation of the up-

perclassmen with the alumni, their friends, not through the legislators, the regents, trustees or faculty.

The movement to employ all the time of a general secretary, a traveling, paid official, is being watched with interest, and much is hoped for from him. His broad views resulting from intimate knowledge of local conditions in all the chapters will enable him to offer wise counsel. But one man cannot accomplish everything and the bulk of the work must be done for every chapter by the local, resident alumni. They are elaborate furnishings. They place these valuable equipments in the hands of their younger brothers.

What is more natural, what is more reasonable than that they should demand an accounting—not primarily in a material way, for this is relatively unimportant; but in an intellectual, moral, social, man-developing way? This is the plain duty of the alumni and it should be their privilege.

It is just as reprehensible for the better class of fraternity alumni to abandon their chapters and give them up to the "sporty element"—because these chapters do not exactly please them—as it is for the better citizens to abandon municipal government to professional politicians and ward-heelers. There are enough good men in every fraternity and in every municipality to do the right thing. But they must be active.

This duty of the alumnus, however, is a most delicate one and demands just the right man. He must love the fraternity. He must know its history and traditions. He must have a deep personal interest in the underclassman and feel that every boy has possibilities. He must be young enough to still remember how a freshman feels and looks at life, and he must distinguish intuitively between the foibles of youth and real vicious tendencies. He must wink at the one and suppress the other. By prompt and judicious action he must counteract the unwholesome influence of a man who is going wrong, and save the chapter at least—if not the individual—from the results of his folly. He must have and hold the love and admiration of the underclassman or he is not the one for the place. And he must accomplish all this, for the most part, unobtrusively. Ironclad, coercive rules from the alumni will not be wise except in extreme

cases. They will defeat their own purpose by creating the same feeling of distrust and dislike which existed between the preacher professor and the students of our early ecclesiastical colleges.

Of course, the alumnus cannot accomplish all this without the sympathy and active assistance of the upperclassmen. But the better, stronger upperclassmen in every chapter are ready for this assistance.

Hear this one letter from the secretary of a strong chapter of the Delta Upsilon Fraternity:

"The object of the fraternity, as I see it, is to take the place of the family and home life. The students have, upon entering college, come out from under the guiding influence of the parents or the paternal preparatory school. This lack of restraint and new-found liberty is likely to become license, and in the case of the weaker individuals to lead to ruin. It is at this point that the fraternity steps in. The influence of the fraternity cannot be good unless its atmosphere is wholesome. Its atmosphere cannot be wholesome unless the seniors are earnest, careful trained men, with a keen sense of duty, who will dominate and sway the policy of the chapter. A prominent professor here told me that a word from a senior had a more salutary effect upon a freshman of the same fraternity than any amount of talk from one of the faculty, in a case where a freshman was 'down' in his work.

"I should say, therefore, that the greatest need of the present-day fraternity is a more careful organization of the chapter and the system, so that the senior will be fitted to dominate the chapter and so that he will do so."

It is extremely desirable that just such young men as this one should be in charge of the active chapter. They would welcome the counsel and co-operation of the right kind of an alumnus, and the alumnus must offer this assistance lest even the strong under graduate should weary in well-doing.

The alumnus must give this assistance or he must be prepared, twenty years hence when he visits the old home, to greet a weaker chapter than he meets to-day, for the tendency in all the fraternities is unmistakably toward waste of time, weaker scholarship and more society, "fussing" and other adjuncts.

Most fraternity men of the last generation remember with pride that the best men in college could be had by the fraternities for the asking. It is not universally so to-day. Already many strong young men are shunning them as organizations which will rob them of their honorable ambitions on the one hand, or cultivate in them a crop of habits that are of very questionable value, on the other.

The alumni can prevent all this and it is their duty to do so. Already they give valuable property and frequently more valuable time, and they have a right to expect every chapter of their fraternity to develop men who will preserve their traditions and honor their fraternity and their alma mater.

The public has a right to expect this much of the fraternity. Last year it gave \$399,688,910 for the education of the youth of this land. It sees the secondary schools pour into the chapter-houses the best blood and brains of the state. After four years it expects to see returned to every honorable calling in every community, strong men, molders of public opinion—public opinion, the controlling force in a democracy. No organization is worthy support whose sole object is simply to protect itself and maintain its existence. The problems of society are so numerous and so complicated that both individuals and social organization are in duty bound to enter the field determined to leave the world better than they found it. No organization has a right to ask for support unless it has some noble mission.

FOUNDERS' DAY.

A Message from our Grand President to Every Alpha Xi Delta.

With April seventeenth of this year comes the sixteenth anniversary of Alpha Xi Delta's founding. Though history may not seem especially interesting when in the pages of a book, we find it helpful to have some of it in our heads, and its lessons have much to do with forming our character and convictions. The social side of Founders' Day is no less interesting because there is a serious side to the celebration. We should stop on

this one day of the year, if upon no other, to take account of stock, as it were, to consider why we celebrate. In doing honor to our Founders, we should learn who they were, the conditions which surrounded them and made the birth of Alpha Xi Delta necessary and possible, and how they could lay the foundations strong enough to permit the growth and permanence of the sorority we love.

The pioneers in any movement must be endowed with strong convictions and splendid courage and our Founders' had their share of these necessary characteristics. Otherwise the growth and development of Alpha Xi Delta would not have been. Shakespeare has said, "We know what we are, but we know not what we may be," and though our Founders had a clear idea of what a sisterhood should be, and though they "saw visions and dreamed dreams," it is unlikely that one of the ten had a faint conception of the sorority's ultimate growth.

The sorority's life may be divided into three periods; first, what we call the foundation period when the ten girls crystallized their aims and ideals; second, the period of establishment or organization when the chapter was gaining in strength and purpose; a period of nine years; and third, the development or expansion period, which has contained for the last seven years and has meant fourteen chapters in as many different institutions of learning in eleven different states.

Like many other sororities and fraternities, Alpha Xi Delta's birth was in a denominational institution, of which I say as Daniel Webster did of Dartmouth, "It is a small college but there are those who love it." The conditions which created Alpha were, in brief, these: the masculine contingent predominated at Lombard in 1893, as there were then in existence there, two fraternities and but one sorority. A small percent of the women could belong to one sorority, so there was in consequence among the non-fraternity women a group of congenial girls who came together as chosen friends. Finally one or two of these girls formed the idea of organizing a sisterhood to perpetuate their love and their ideals. In this they were encouraged by one of the fraternities, itself a young chapter in Lombard. Gradually the plan was formed and took root in the minds of the

ten girls who bent all their energies toward organization. With earnestness and enthusiasm they took up the work, but without plan or guide. It was indeed a big undertaking for these young girls to crystallize their aims and ideals thus, but they were girls of strength and originality, and we who have followed after them know how well they builded. In the sixteen years that have intervened since Alpha was launched into the sea of fraternity life, no changes have been made in any essential particular—Alpha Xi Delta has only developed and elaborated by growth, not changed.

The project, which had taken the greater part of the school year, and which had been carried on in great secrecy behind locked doors, was finally complete. Picture a spring morning, April 17, 1893. The girls were to make their first formal appearance in chapel, and it was with flushed faces and fluttering hearts that the girls gathered for a moment in the Zetecahlian literary society room, now the president's office, for a last word to keep up their courage as well as to pin on their roses. Then with outward composure, (but I doubt not, inward trepidation) each wearing on her breast the Alpha Xi Delta quill in the form of a stick pin, with the colors and pink rose, ten girls entered the chapel together, and our Alpha Xi Delta came into her own.

The reception our girls received was cordial on the part of one fraternity and cold and indifferent on the part of the others, but as this was what they expected, they neither overjoyed nor dismayed. The girls had not long to be together as school was out the first of June, and the ten Founders were never all together again. What they gave to the world has lived, "through bitter and sweet, through gain and defeat."

It has been my privilege to know all but three of our Founders, a pleasure and inspiration which I wish all Alpha Xi Deltas could have. The work that other girls did nine years later in making the local into a national is deserving of great commendation, for in its own way it was as great a task. It was felt at that time that Alpha had reached a stage where her endeavors should not be confined to one institution, however noble, and so steps were taken by the eleven active girls in the spring of 1902, assisted by two of the alumnae, to make the local

national. This was formally done April 17, 1902, but it was not publicly announced until June 9th when Beta chapter was installed.

My purpose in giving an outline of the sorority's history at this time is that the members may have a better knowledge of what our Founders did, and realize something of what we owe them. Founder's Day should commemorate not only the national Founders, but each chapter should remember her own Founders upon that day.

The day should be devoted not only to having a good time, but to serious consideration of what we owe those pioneer spirits in our sorority, local and national. Do not let the knowledge of these things wane. Keep a history of your chapter from one April seventeenth to the next, and have this carefully kept on file for future Alphas. Do not leave these things to tradition. Many fraternities are now seeking to collect their histories and are not finding it easy, as archives have not been well kept. Alpha Xi Delta is young, so let us preserve our histories in black and white while there is yet time. Everything has traditions, every people and nation its anniversaries, its feast days. Alpha Xi Delta's has been well likened to Easter, as it comes when all nature is awakening. Founders' Day should awaken anew our love and loyalty to Alpha Xi Delta principles, and we should pledge increased devotion to our sisters, past and present. Our sisters of the past were makers of history, and we too are making it for ourselves and the sorority. What we need is to wake up to our responsibility. Cato once said, "It is not in mortal to command success, but to do more to deserve it." Let us not forget our Founders, all but one of whom are living. To them I propose this toast: To our Founders, your memory is golden the work you did lives and shall remain, nay more shall grow—through the sincere efforts of your grateful sisters.

Ella B. B. Leib.

THE VALUE OF COLLEGE COURSES TO WOMEN.

The average college woman reckons the date of any event in her existence by its relation to her college career. "Two years before I came to college," "My third year in college," "Four years after I graduated" she says. Thus she unconsciously registers her belief in the life importance of her college course.

Firmly established as she is in this belief, it is with the utmost surprise that she gradually discovers how different from her own is the attitude of most people toward what she prizes so highly.

To many persons, even fathers and mothers who are sending their daughters to college, a college course is merely an investment from which they expect the girl to reap a commercial profit in enhanced earning power, or just an agreeable and harmless method of filling up the necessary interstice between graduation from high school and marriage, or simply a new fangled kind of boarding school. They are proud and glad to be able to give this commercial advantage, this social luxury to their daughters, but few, not college bred themselves, realize how very much more than either of these things they are giving.

The most difficult attitude for the college woman to combat is that which looks upon her course as nothing more or less than an investment in the newest and most efficient mental machinery, an investment which is to yield immediate financial returns.

The same brains that contain this conception are also firmly possessed of the belief that the studies which she is to put to an immediate and definite use are the only ones that a girl should include in her college curriculum: that unless a girl is going to take up social work, she is wasting her time on sociology; that unless she is to teach Latin an acquaintance with the Latin classics can do her no good.

The fallacy of both these ideas the college women knows. The time spent in the study of sociology, in acquiring knowledge that she may never specifically utilize, has not been wasted, for it has given her a better trained mind, a power of original

thought that she might not have had otherwise. It is well known that the college graduate is in more demand for the position of grade teacher, than the Normal School girl. Yet she knows no more about grammar, arithmetic or spelling than her competitor. College women with a business education superadded, make the best private secretaries. Yet they know no more about business usage than the ordinary commercial school graduate. In both cases it is the reserve force of general knowledge, a well trained mind, a highly cultivated power of discrimination, a fund of *savoir faire*, all products of a college curriculum and life,—which make the college graduate valuable, though her fund of specific knowledge bearing on the giving position, may be no larger than that of other aspirants.

In regard to the financial return from this intellectual investment, it is a matter of fact that the college education usually does yield some financial return though it is not always immediate. Though the college graduate may have to start on the same rung of the ladder of success, she is pretty sure to climb more rapidly and higher than the woman lacking her advantages.

But even if these things were not so, even if it were not true that college graduates become by reason of their education more valuable to the world, the college course would still be justifiable in that it makes any woman more valuable to herself. If she has absorbed what she ought from those four years, the result is wider culture and hence infinite multiplication of her intellectual sensibilities. In the light of what she has learned her slightest contact with the world becomes fraught with greater significance. She takes up a newspaper; her study of economics gives a new depth of meaning to the story of a great strike; statistics hitherto blind and unimportant are lit up by her knowledge of psychology; in the light of her study of modern history she is able to recognize the strained diplomatic relations of two European countries as an act in a century long drama; items that would have formerly appeared to her only petty sensationalism may now discover an element of romance; the announcement of the discovery of a new element becomes through her knowledge of chemistry, interesting news; she reads of a big electoral con-

vention and having studied public law is able to see in it something larger than the struggles between two party factions. So things that formerly would have been uninteresting or even unintelligible have taken on power to stimulate her mind and give her the pleasure of a keen interest.

But there is something more than all this that the years of college can do for a girl. Having come in contact with great needs, pondered on great events, studied great problems, having gotten a glimpse of the core of things and their eternal purpose and harmony, she is inclined to try to bring some of that same order and harmony into her own life. It is impossible for her now to live merely from day to day, from hand to mouth, seeing nothing but the figures on the blackboard, the dishpan, the typewriter, the printed page. She must see some goal ahead and bend her energies toward it. Knowing her life to be a part of divine symmetry, she must, however feebly and waveringly seek to order it to fill its part in the supreme plan.

Her critics accuse the college girl of being discontented. The accusation should be a commendation, for the college woman's discontent, if she is worthy to bear the name of her college is of that world-moving sort which makes a woman satisfied always with her possession, but never with herself.

PERSIS DWIGHT HANNAH,

Lambda.

ALPHA CHI OMEGA.

Alpha Chi Omega was founded at Albion, Michigan, October 15, 1885. It has now fourteen collegiate chapters which are located in the following institutions: Albion, Allegheny, Depauw, Illinois, Michigan, New England Conservatory, North Western, Simpson, Southern California, Syracuse, Wisconsin, Colorado, Nebraska and Baker. It also has four Alumnae associations.

The Grand Council of Alpha Chi Omega is made up of the Grand Officers; President, Mrs. Edward R. Loud; Vice President, Mrs. Fay Barnaby Kent; Secretary, Mrs. Frank Soule;

Treasurer, Mrs. R. Dennis; Inspector, Kate Calkins; Editor, Mrs. Wm. E. Haseltine.

The pin is a lyre with Alpha Chi Omega emblazoned in gold on black enamel. The pledge-pin is a diamond shaped pin of scarlet enamel and displays a gold lyre. The Sorority has no national flag. The colors are scarlet and olive, and the flower is the scarlet carnation with smilax.

Since 1896 the sorority has issued a quarterly magazine called "The Lyre." The present place of publication is Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

Alpha Chi Omega's open motto is "Ye daughters of music, come up higher." This motto, together with the sorority emblem, the lyre, suggests at once the society's special interest in music. The following paragraph from Mrs. Martin's Hand Book, under the department of "Musical Sororities," gives a brief resume of the origin and development of Alpha Chi's peculiar devotion to music:

"The first of this class (Musical Sororities) was Alpha Chi Omega founded at DePauw University in 1885 under the special patronage of Dean James L. Howe of the College of Music. Dean Howe believed so thoroughly in the advantages of these organizations that in 1892 he lent his aid to the establishment of a second similar society called Phi Mu Epsilon. Alpha Chi Omega has always been most progressive and has grown rapidly. In 1903 it made a striking change in its policy, for instead of confining itself strictly to the colleges of music affiliated with the institutions where its chapters were located, it admitted such students from the liberal arts departments as were taking courses in music. By becoming Musical-Literary, as it is now called, it competes with the academic sororities, and in consequence has been admitted to the Inter-Sorority Conference."

THE HOUSE THAT KAPPA BUILT.

In 1905 when Kappa was the baby chapter of Alpha Xi Delta, her headquarters were in two small rooms at 405 E. Green St. These rooms soon became crowded and the next year she moved into a furnished house eight blocks from the University. Before the end of the year this house became so crowded that the child's health was endangered by those quarters; so the next year a larger house was rented. In this the chapter was again in her old quarters on Green street but this year the whole house was occupied instead of just two rooms; but the result was the same. It likewise become too small and Kappa was developing a distaste for moving, so she tried to make plans for one more more, and that a final one. Kappa was by this time quite a child and possessed some of this world's wealth in the form of furniture.

Mr. Riley of Champaign came to the help of the chapter and agreed to build a house which should cost eleven thousand dollars. He gave Kappa the privilege of making the plans and having everything just as she wished. The property which he built is leased by the chapter for five years with the privilege of buying. The chapter pays him eleven hundred dollars a year in nine monthly payments. The expenses are somewhat heavy, especially while there is furniture to buy. This is being bought by monthly installments. In this way the chapter is making a permanent and pleasant home for all future members.

So much for the finances of our new home; now let us leave all those practical details of the sordid world and let all Alpha girls open wide their eyes and take hold of Kappa's hand for a journey to the home of the fifth youngest child.

You are three blocks from the University of Illinois, on Daniel street, and the most attractive place you see is an odd Swiss home, and that is Kappa's home. Stopping in front of it you see a broad concrete porch with a brick wall on the sides and ends. This is covered in the center with a brightly painted roof over which is a small flat balcony. Above this a broad and



HALL ON SECOND FLOOR



FIRE PLACE IN LIVING ROOM



HOUSE THAT KAPPA BUILT



DININGROOM



View of Library and Music Room from Living Room.

widely projecting roof overshadows the whole house. The upper third of the house is built of green shingles and the lower portion of red brick. The numerous windows are of ordinary size on the ground floor, but only half size on the second and third floors and are divided into many small panes. These windows and the projecting roof give the house such a quaint look that you almost expect to see a whole Swiss village with even a mountain stream in sight. The outside decorations of our home have caused no little comment and of course you one and all have remarked about them long ere this. The design now used a great deal in architecture of hearts, spades, and clubs is carried out. The little balcony over the central covered portion of the porch is decorated with a row of spades in the green railing, while the front of the porch has a row of clubs in its yellow border and the roof boasts a row of many hearts along its yellow edge. The house as a whole looks homey, and you Alphas are anxious to go in to visit with sister Kappa awhile. So let the whole sixteen of you enter.

Your number is too great for the little vestibule, which is on a level with the ground so you hasten one by one up the steps to the big living room, which extends the whole width of the house and occupies the entire middle portion of the first floor. This room is divided into three parts. The wide rough brown brick fireplace occupies the portion directly facing the entrance and broad stair case. The fire place is a "thing of beauty" with its brass andirons, one hundred and fifty years old. These sister Winifred Campbell furnishes for the house. The broad low mantel, over which hangs an Illinois seal, contains only two brass candle sticks and forms a fitting crown for the fire place. Heavy beams divide the two end portions of the living room, from the central part. In each of these ends of the long room are deep window seats that say all kinds of inviting things by means of cushions, many and various. The color scheme in this room is green and brown.

The woodwork throughout the first floor is dark stained quartered oak, the rugs are green, and the furniture is all of the plain, dark mission type.

The house is lighted by electricity and the chandeliers are of wrought iron.

Opening from the living room on the south-east corner and toward the front of the house is the chapter room or library. This has a broad seat on one side and a row of low book cases on the other. Here the color scheme is dark green, red and brown. The only bit of light color is a beautiful Alpha Xi Delta crest on a white skin which hangs over the book case. The pictures are in dark frames and the library chairs and table are on dark brown.

The music room occupies a similar position on the southwest corner of the house and here again we have the deep window seat and brown furniture and decorations.

The dining room, opening from the back of the living room, is large enough to accommodate forty-five people. The windows in the east and south walls are small and high. The colors of the room are browns, ranging from the dark, almost black, furniture to the light tan of the curtains. The china closet and linen drawers occupy one side of the room and our convocation bell with its quaint case is one of the attractions of the room.

The pantry and kitchen are models of modern convenience and a joy to the heart of the cook. There is a special place for everything in the smallest possible space. However, don't be disappointed, sisters dear, for peer into those closets and drawers as much as you like and you won't find one single thing to eat. The eatables are all kept locked in the vegetable room in the basement, for Kappa doesn't yet seem to be past the jam stealing age, which according to tradition is between four and five.

The whole first floor can be thrown into one large room, and when the house was formally opened we found that thirty couples could easily dance there, and yet leave the music room for the musicians.

The second floor has six large bed rooms and a modern bath room and linen closet. The large open hall has two big seats on either side. Here on the walls we hang our college and fraternity pennants. The wood work of the second and third floors is white pine finished with a dull, dark green stain.

The third floor has a similar number of bed rooms with the same linen and toilet room arrangement.

There are now in the house eighteen girls and our chaperone. We have accommodations for twenty-four, so Kappa feels as though she permanently located.

Kappa has enjoyed taking her sisters all over the house and hopes to have many opportunities of doing so in reality.

FRIENDSHIP.

'Tis friendship that inspires in me
The best my simple life can give
Which lifts me up from out my gloom,
Which makes me hope and bids me live.

The hope that I may win through grace
'Tis that alone which makes me love
To do my duty in this life
Which bids me hope for life above.

'Tis that creates my noblest thoughts,
It spurs me to a better life;
It gives me hope to reach my goal,
And gives me strength to make the strife.

And when my burdens cast me down
'Tis that alone which tells me, "Wait,"
For Life and Love belong to man
And death can never be his Fate.

MARY FRANCES CHADWICK, *Iota*.

TRAVELING IN NORWAY.

[Miss Salmer, who is known to our chapters through her work as grand Historian of our sorority, spent several months, last summer in Norway, and we are glad to publish just a few words from her concerning that most interesting country.—Ed.]

The national development of Norway, together with its past history and unusual and wonderful landscape scenery, make it one of the most interesting countries of Europe. Contrary to the general belief, Norway today keeps pace with the most cultured nations of the world.

Every year hundreds of tourists visit this country of beautiful sceneries, the picturesque and ever changing view constantly awakening renewed admiration. Traveling in "The Land of the Midnight Sun" is made delightful and easy by means of favorable railway connections, unrivaled steamship service and first class hotels in towns, villages and even on the mountains. Everything is done for the comfort and convenience of the traveler. It is impossible to praise too highly the efforts of the Norwegians in this direction. Hotel accommodations are excellent even in the most remote mountain regions. Where one would hardly expect to find even an isolated house one discovers instead an up-to-date hotel about as isolated as the Evans at Hot Springs. However, there are certain particulars which make all the difference in the world.

The Norwegians are justly proud of their scenery, the beauty of which affords a variety of magnificent views. All that is beautiful in Nature is to be found in this land.

CLARA SALMER, EPSILON.

Every Day Council.

The Choice of a Sorority Girl

The period for the choosing of its new members is undoubtedly the most difficult period in the life of any college society and yet for how short a time is any real energy expended upon it. We are quite unlike other societies, which are applied to for membership—the choosing is here entirely in our own hands. It is not too much to say that any girl in the United States can be ours if we use the right sort of effort. It is the girls, past, present, and future who make the sorority, and the choice of them is quite the most vital spot in the entire sorority life.

How then shall we prepare for so important a matter, shall we sit idly with folded hands till the few girls who, uninfluenced, will come to college, and to “our” college shall have arrived, and then smile upon them sweetly and “pop the question?” Ridiculous, you say? Yes, but which of us has done so much that she could not do any more? Look at your chapter-roll and convince yourself if you can that there were only that number of girls, even in your own state worth having.

An organization is essentially a systemmatized body if it is to be effectual. Have we a system, a really tried and proved system for rushing?

There is not a girl among us who does not know at least half a dozen splendid high-school-age girls whom nobody else in her society knows. How many of them will materialize into future sorority sisters? “But we are so busy,” comes the chorus. Yes, you are busy, which is another word for selfish and therefore you are quite hopeless.

Remember your little friend when she is just beginning high school—before she is old enough to be influenced by high-school popular fancy as to her choice of college, and before she

can realize she is not quite a plutocrat perhaps. Take her to visit college with you and make her enthusiastic whether she will be or not. Prejudice her first for your college, for the wonderful spirit which permeates college life alone, and which is so awe-inspiring to one of her age.

If this can be accomplished, three-quarters of the battle will be won. Her future work in high-school will be with a definite object in view. Then if you choose, you can wait till her senior year before giving a second invitation.

This time she will notice the society. It is not well to entertain too elaborately lest she go home despondently sure that papa cannot afford it. The only object of prematriculation rushing is to make her feel that when she arrives, some of those already there are her friends.

More than this is not necessary, and may indeed, tend to over-inflate her self-esteem. Is this too much to pay?

The rushing season proper is only something to be deplored and endured. Each of us has felt the strain, and even freshmen are not altogether pleased with constant entertainment. A little quiet chat with a girl is often more successful than an elaborate party.

The final selection of course requires a different set of faculties. Each of us knows, before we have finished, that although the girls make the sorority, nevertheless quite as essentially the sorority can and does make the girl. Among prospective society girls there are both those who make a brilliant first impression and those who do not. It frequently proves that the afternoon-tea conversations ladies are merely obtrusively ineffectual while the plainer and less sought after sisters are unobtrusively but genuinely effectual. Social favorites may be a distinct asset, but brains and sound principles are more essential.

These are the sterling qualities and there are hundreds of girls still waiting who possess them. It is for us to choose.

EMILY CATE, Lambda.

A WORD ABOUT THE PATRONESS.

What has become of that happy custom of subscribing to the journal for the chapter patronesses? A few years ago many chapters did this. This year there is but one that is thoughtful enough to remember the patronesses with the journal, and this is not a good record in a list of fourteen chapters. A patroness gives the chapter the benefit of her influence, friendship, hospitality and advice, which reduced to commercial terms mean time and money. What does she receive in return? How often do the girls so much as call upon a patroness, who has given her home to the chapter for a social event? Is there not a tendency to take such factors too much for granted, and so allow the patroness to take our gratitude for granted? A student's life is a full one, but however busy, friends should not be neglected. The patroness has a busy life also, and we are to blame if she sometimes thinks her position is a thankless one. The sorority has authorized a badge for patronesses, and there is now in the making a ceremony for patronesses. These are good as they emphasize the relation of the patroness to the chapter, but the use of both badge and ceremony is optional. The journal for patronesses should not be a matter of choice with a chapter, but a recognition of what is due them. A visit from "THE ALPHA XI DELTA" four times a year is a reminder of the gratitude of the girls, and will do a great deal to make the patroness feel that she belongs to the Alpha Xi Delta family.

ALPHA.

THE VICISSITUDES OF A HOUSELESS CHAPTER.

The chapter so fortunate as to possess a home all its own is certainly to be congratulated. There its members can live together like a big family, uninterrupted, and enjoy the pleasures of family life. The chapter house has a "homely" atmosphere that is not felt in a dormitory or private boarding house. When girls feel that they are living in their own home, they take much more pleasure in the furnishing of their rooms. Ample opportunity is given to exercise their own tastes in choosing and

arranging. Each girl can display her particular talent in art, or needlework, or what not, in adding to the comforts and attractions of her college home.

Then, too a chapter house fosters the sense of freedom and independence. It is worth much to be able to have things as you like them and to entertain your friends in your own way.

These are just a few of the advantages we can picture for the girls in a chapter house. But when we are not so favored, many are the makeshifts and substitutes to which we resort. There is always the disadvantage of moving and the bugbear of a landlord.

I remember one occasion in particular when Delta was entertaining a few of her friends in a very informal way. The girls had engaged for the evening, an apartment adjoining the chapter room. While refreshments were being served, the landlord spread consternation among guests and hostesses by appearing on the scene in a most choleric mood, and imploring us not to spoil his carpet and furniture with our dissipations. It took all our persuasive powers to pacify him and induce him to leave us. But as at all times, even then the use of our wits to make what we had answer our purposes best, added a zest and pleasure to our sorority life.

Sometimes a chapter can secure the rent of more than one room; this is of course an advantage for the chapter itself, besides facilitating its opportunities for entertaining friends. When in addition to this, the girls are not restricted by dormitory rules they can then to some extent make a home of their sorority rooms.

Our greatest disadvantage, as it seems to me, is that we of the houseless chapters are liable not to live so close to one another and so miss to a degree that friendship which comes from constant close association. Fraternity sisters, who have not the advantage of living together all the time should be careful to cultivate one another and make sure that no girl feels lonely or left-out and that there is as far as possible, an atmosphere of perfect congeniality in their chapter.

LETHA MADDEN, Delta.

HOW SHALL WE SPEND OUR TIME IN SORORITY MEETING.

I fear that if this question were put to many of our girls, few of us would have an adequate reply, for it arouses more discussion than one expects at first sight.

You of our sisters who enjoy chapter house life can hardly realize what the chapter meeting means to those who have not that pleasure. To us it is the one time when we are "together and alone." During the day, our courses call us different ways. We must not be selfish and narrow in our friendship—using that word in a broad sense—but we must associate with other sorority and non-sorority girls. For it is by no means that we may give and receive the benefits which arise from a wide acquaintance, and interest in others.

For the chapter meeting, some object to making a systematic study of one another, or debating upon some economic law, or tracing the course of the cranial nerves, or observing the codenza in Mozart's Rondo from the B flat Sonata. "Oh, can't we ever have any relief from study! Study! Let us have something else; we have enough of that all day," they say.

There are others who maintain that after an orderly and dignified business session, the meeting should be devoted to something light and pleasant, to something "just to get acquainted and enjoy one another."

All of us realize that there is a great deal to be learned of our own sorority, of other sororities and of the Greek world in general, and where could there be a better place for all to acquire this knowledge than in the meeting of one little group in the great domain of sisterhood and brotherhood?

Fortunately there may be a happy combination, an agreeable union of study with social pleasure that will give enjoyment to all.

ANNIE McCOY, Lambda.

TWO VIEWS OF THE RELATIONS OF ALUMNAE AND ACTIVE MEMBERS.

In my Junior year I was asked to write a short article for the Journal on this subject. I wrote an ardent appeal to the

Alumnae to rally around the active chapter with all kinds of advice and help. During the years that have passed I have not changed my views materially but I have modified them somewhat. Some experiences of my own chapter and some stories which I have heard from other chapters have led me to believe that, like all other good things, it is possible for this one to be overworked.

The charge is not that the Alumnae will do too much to help the active chapter but that the manner of offering help or advice, and particularly the latter, may prove somewhat embarrassing. Like all troubles which arise from misunderstandings the fault lies partly on each side. It is very natural for the Alumnae to feel that because of their greater age and experience they are fitted to give advice and really know more about some things than any under graduate can know. This is true in a great many instances, but the Alumnae should remember that the active chapter usually considers itself capable of carrying on the business of the chapter, and unless the advice is tactfully offered the alumnae is liable to be accused of trying to "run things."

There is of course reason in both sides of the argument. The Alumnae, because of their experience ought to be able to give advice but on the other hand the active chapter is just as capable as the alumnae were when they were in college and really ought to be allowed to use their own judgment.

No loyal alumnae member will refuse help or advice when it is needed and it is the greatest help that a chapter can have. Don't feel hurt however and say disagreeable things if the active chapter doesn't always follow your advice in detail. They know conditions in school better than you do and so their judgment must be the deciding one.

GAMMA.

We alumnae members of the sorority often fail to realize that we can do a great deal toward making our chapter succeed. As much as our dear sorority has meant to us, and as devoted as we have been to it during our student days, many of us hold the mistaken idea that our obligation toward it ceases with the

close of our college like. We feel that our duty is done and that we may conscientiously leave the entire work to be borne on the shoulders of those left behind. That the duties and responsibilities of the new life often make great demands on our time and strength is true, but certainly all of us can spare some time for our precious old frat. The least that we can do is to keep the active girls ever convinced that we are still interested. A bit of advice, the expression of a little sympathy, an occasional helping hand from each alumnae member will do much toward smoothing the pathway of the little band of girls back in the Alma Mater. If we can thus make the active girls feel that they can count on us to come to their aid in times of difficulty, by our attitude we shall give them the strength and spirit to do and dare great things for Alpha Xi Delta.

H. B. S. IOTA.

REMINISCENT.

The labors and trials of the youthful pedagogue are many, but ringing through the quiet of winter evenings of copy books and "quiz" papers comes the dear familiar old strain to strengthen and cheer,—*"Strong are the ties which bind us."* Indeed they are strong and true, those loving cords which draw each and every true loyal wearer of the golden quill. What precious memories are aroused by news of the dear, old hearth circle. How restful is the assurance that it is ever ready to welcome back each absent sister to its sacred atmosphere,—sacred, yes, because it teaches fraternity with its great uplifting aim of self-denial and love for others. All memories of the college days are sweet, founded on that love which cannot be shaken, and on united loyalty to dear old Alpha Xi.

LOUISE E. ERB, Theta.

Editorials.

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For our Founders' Day of 1909, we wish every chapter a completely successful celebration,—joyous, because of past and present pleasures, and full of high resolves for the future. May we as a sorority never forget the ideals and noble aims of our founders, but may our achievements in the year before us be infinitely beyond what they ever dared to hope for us.

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The editor wishes to request every chapter, so far as possible, to retain for another year the present JOURNAL correspondent. Where this is out of the question, we would ask that the newly elected correspondent be a member who can retain the office for at least two years to come. As will readily be understood, compliance with this request would save much trouble and time now spent in initiating new correspondents into the mysterious use of manuscript paper and a reasonable amount of business like promptness. We ask this favor early enough to effect those chapters whose election of officers is held in early spring but we trust to the Alphas of the other chapters not to forget it before their choice of officers is made for next year.

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By courtesy of the Delta Upsilon Quarterly we publish in this issue Prof. McDermott's admirable discussion of "The Chapter House and its effect on the Fraternity." This article in a copyrighted pamphlet form, has been for some months in circulation among fraternity and sorority leaders for the purpose of obtaining their views as to the most effective manner of dealing with the chapter house problem. Many of these responses have been published in the form of a symposium, from which we hope in a subsequent issue to publish some selections. At present, however, we copy only Prof. McDermott's article, and we urge every Alpha Xi Delta to read it. We almost wish

it were in our power to make compulsory a reading of this paper in a meeting of each of our chapters. It will stimulate any chapter to do its best to remedy the evils of our present system of chapter house management.

Lest some of our sisters should regard this whole discussion as foreign to their interests because they are sorority members instead of living in chapter house, we wish to emphasize the following facts:

1. The sorority's problems and difficulties are in the essentials identical with those of the fraternity.
2. Whether or not a chapter occupies a house, it must deal with the questions of the moral, intellectual, and social ideals of its members, questions raised in this discussion.

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Assuming that our contributors will read Prof. McDermott's article in this number of our JOURNAL, we invite discussion from them upon the ideas contained in this article. We would especially appreciate discussion of the various plans suggested in the following sentences for bettering sorority conditions: We quote partly from the symposium published in connection with Prof. McDermott's article "The intellectual element thrust to the front in the weekly meetings of the chapters."

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"We need a better mutual understanding between the fraternal organizations and the college faculties."

"If fraternities could exclude from chapter houses all members that have not attained the junior year, most of the house problems would cease to trouble. By the third year the student has found his bearings."

"To be represented more generally in all departments of college life, by the best men, of course, in each kind of work."

“To keep more closely in touch with faculty affairs and support the best interests of college.”

“A rigid scholarship committee in the university which will not hesitate to send home all who do not do a man’s work.

“The influence of the fraternity cannot be good unless its atmosphere is wholesome. Its atmosphere cannot be wholesome unless the seniors are earnest, carefully trained men, with a keen sense of duty, who will dominate and sway the policy of the chapter. A prominent professor here told me that a word from a senior had a more salutary effect upon a freshman of the same fraternity than any amount of talk from one of the faculty, in a case where a freshman was ‘down’ in his work.”

“Friendly comradeship and oversight on the part of faculty and other alumni members; wise but vigilant supervision by the university authorities.

Exchanges.

[Exchanges are requested to send one copy to each of the following: Mrs. S. R. McKean, 2402 W. Fourth St., Williamsport, Pa.; Mrs. J. R. Leib, 1271 West Washington St., Springfield, Ill.; Mrs. J. E. Gilmour, 66 Kennedy St., Bradford, Pa.]

We acknowledge the receipt of the following publications, calling attention to a few of the interesting and instructive articles:

Beta Theta Pi:

October—"College and Democracy" (Reprint from the London Times.)
"Students Societies in German Universities."

November—Beta Phi of Beta:

Theta Pi has been established at the Colorado. School of Mines. An interesting account of this school is given in the November issue.

At present twenty-eight chapters of Beta Theta Pi own their homes while twelve others have made progress toward securing houses of their own.

The Crescent of Gamma Phi Beta

October—

The Shield of Phi Kappa Psi:

October—This number treats largely of the meeting of the Grand Arch Council held at Denver, July 1, 1908.

The attention of our chapters is called to the following editorial:

College fraternity chapters which went up and down in their fortunes like the tide,—which were alternately in the trough and on the crest of the wace,—used to be very common. The growth of alumni influence, the better general organization of Greek letter societies and the extension of the chapter house movement have all served to more permanently fix the status of the average college fraternity chapter. Usually from year to year a more uniform level is preserved, and the

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The chapter as an institution should command the more careful thought of the undergraduate membership. The chapter is something more than a collection of individuals. It should, as a distinct entity, have a character and influence of its own. This it can only have because of the service each chapter generation renders to the chapter generations which succeed it. It is true that a weak chapter at any time is not so much a reflection upon the member-

ship of the chapter as it now exists, as upon the membership of the chapter as it exists when the influences of disintegration originated.

How much thought is given in the average chapter to the *permanent* upbuilding of the chapter,—not to plans affecting only the immediate present, but to those which comprehend the chapter's welfare a half dozen years hence? How often is any project in which a chapter or its membership engages affected by any considerations reaching far into the future?

Have you ever thought of the extent to which any action of a chapter may affect the welfare of the chapter in the far-off future? One mistake in the selection of a member of the fraternity may very largely determine the character of the chapter a few years later. The men of this generation select the men who are to form the chapter of the next generation, and these in turn choose their own successors, so that in every choice of a member of the chapter is involved a change that may stamp itself upon the chapter forever.

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If there is lack of harmony in a chapter, that soon becomes apparent in the institution to which it is attached, and the chapter is thereby weakened. Lack of loyalty is not to be tolerated in any member of a chapter. The man who "knocks" his chapter and his associates in the chapter on the outside ought to be put permanently on the outside. No quality in a member makes up for lack of loyalty, which in itself stamps any man as being unfit fraternity material. Another man little less dangerous is the chapter politician, who is given to the exploitation of the chapter for his own advantage, who is prolific in schemes which tend to divide rather than unite the chapter, and who becomes the center of factional contention.

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and a member of what afterwards became a chapter of Delta Upsilon. The growth of the sororities between 1870 and 1880 was necessarily slow, for the higher education of women was scarcely an accomplished fact, but the quarter century since that period has seen the establishment of over two hundred chapters by more than a score of sororities. Profiting by the experience of their brothers' fraternities, college girls have been able to work out in a comparatively short time a splendid system of organization and have gone even a step farther in perfecting an Intersorority Conference, which, although still in its infancy, has much to its credit in the line of accomplishment and bids fair, unless all signs fail, to become a force of no mean moment in college and sorority life.—D. K. E. *Quarterly*.

The Lyre of Alpha Chi Omega

November—Omicron chapter of Alpha Chi Omega was installed in Baker University at Baldwin, Kas., Sept. 1908.

Mud on Wheels.

Doubt and distrust will not bring triumphs. The girl who joins a sorority and then begins to find fault with its management, criticises its officers and otherwise to create doubt and distrust among members and non-members, is to be pitied for her lack of horse-sense. She wants the sorority to get results—but everything she does and says has a tendency to prevent the thing she most desires. In fact, she is herself an obstacle in the way of progress, a stumbling block to her sorority. Good results for any sorority are never obtained by girls of this character. The girls who get results are the girls who have confidence in themselves, in their fellowmen and in those who are trying to improve the conditions of the sorority. These girls prove their faith by their works, and win their goal by striving for it. They are the power which makes the wheels move forward. The knockers who do nothing but doubt and complain, are just so much mud on the wheels.—The Parchment.

The Garnet and White-Alpha Chi Rho:

November—

Desmos of Delta Sigma Delta:

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The Phi Gamma Delta:

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From an editorial—

SCHOLARSHIP STANDARDS.

Just now it is interesting to note what seems a well-defined movement in the fraternity world toward higher standards of scholarship for the members. The encouragement to stronger scholarship has taken various forms. In the men's fraternity it is chiefly by way of official comment and public recognition of the achievements of the scholars. For instance, Alpha Tau

Omega publishes a biographical roll of honor, including all its under-graduate members who have achieved special scholastic distinction.

The reaction from the opposite tendencies which educators have been decrying for a decade is a salutary one, and the chief problem is to find the most effective way to effectuate the reform. In final analysis it is simply a question of educating student sentiment. The Wisconsin chapter a year ago adopted what seems an excellent plan of recognizing good class work among its freshmen. A loving cup was presented by the class of 1907, on which each semester is to be engraved the name of the freshman with the highest scholastic standing. It serves to educate sentiment at the time when the greatest stimulus is needed—in the freshman class; and with the momentum of one year's work well done, high class standing may be maintained with little drudgery.

The Delta of Sigma Nu:
November—

"The Chapter House and Its Leadership." Walter James Sears.
"A Pilgrimage to the Founders:"

The Arrow of Pi Beta Phi:

November—This number treats largely of Pi Beta Phi in Y. W. C. A. work. The account of the national work, the industrial work, and a sketch, "A Bit of Real Life," show the great work accomplished by the Y. W. C. A.

The Trident of Delta Delta Delta:

November—Delta Delta Delta has installed her twenty-sixth chapter at DePauw.

The Mask of Kappa Psi:
November—

The Alpha Tau Omega Palm:

December—The Twenty-first biennial congress of Alpha Tau Omega was held in Pittsburg, Dec. 30, Jan. 2.

The Purdue Alpha Tau Omega house was recently damaged by fire.

The Delta Upsilon Quarterly:

December—The 74th convention of Delta Upsilon was held at Swarthmore in October. One of the most notable features of the gathering was the "Daily Tringle," Three issues of ordinary newspaper size, containing historical sketches, photographs, jests, etc., were distributed.

Delta Upsilon has revived its chapter at Miami:

"Union College—Mother of Fraternities" is a most interesting article.

Themis of Zeta Tau Alpha:
November—

To Dragma of Alpha Omicron Pi:

November—This number contains accounts of the establishment of Alpha Omicron Pi's new chapter at the University of Maine and Cornell University.

The Parchment of Sigma Delta, Chi:

November—

The Delta Chi Quarterly:

September—

The Record of Sigma Alpha Epsilon

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Kappa Alpha Journal:

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The Delta Upsilon Fraternity announces the Re-establishment of the Miami Chapter at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, November twenty-eight, 1908.

Pi Beta Phi announces the establishment of Ontario Alpha Chapter at the University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada, Friday, December the eleventh, 1908.

Delta Delta Delta announces the establishment of Omega Chapter at Leland Stanford, Jr. University, Palo Alto, California, Saturday, January the sixteenth, 1908.

Kappa Alpha Theta announces the resignation of her Albion chapter November eighteenth, 1908.



Dear Sister Chapters:

On the fifth of December, Miss Hortense Stebbins, Miss Amy Cole and Miss Gladys Partridge were initiated into Alpha chapter. The initiation was followed by a dinner at the Union hotel and a theatre party in the evening. The alumnae present Miss Ericson, Miss Linquist of Galesburg and Misses of Macomb. The party was chaperoned by Mrs. Harriet B. Dudley.

After the Thanksgiving holidays, the Alphas enjoyed a spread at the home of Phyllis Jones. Each girl contributed some dainty brought from home for the feast.

A Christmas celebration was held at the home of Margaret Barrett, Dec. 17th.

Mabel Hendel.

Greetings to all Sisters:

Our girls returned from their vacation laden with New Year's resolutions and in the best of trim for renewed school work. We started the year nineteen hundred and nine with the largest chapter enrollment we have had for some time, for our number is sixteen active girls. Pledge day passed most successfully for Beta and we promptly announce the names of Elva Patta, Be Peden, Ethel Caris, Bess Randel, Blanche Heiserman, Etta Lauer and Florence Coolidge as new sisters in Alpha Xi Delta. Our Pledge day was most delightful and we celebrate in royal style at the home of Mabel Day. Three of our ever-interested alumnae from Chicago had provided a huge box of good things for the occasion and one of our patronesses had sent a generous supply of Alpha roses to be worn in honor of the happy event. We were a proud lot of Alphas who marched into chapel the morning of pledge day.

A typical Alpha spread was given at Florence Stephens' recently in honor of Mildred Brady—Merchon of Chicago, who spent a few days with the chapter. It certainly seemed good to have our last year's president with us again and a most jolly and enthusiastic time was had in singing Alpha songs and listening to the glowing accounts of an "experienced" house keeper.

Another informal spread was given as a farewell party for Myrtle Lauer, who soon leaves with her parents for Colorado which will be their future home. Beta regrets exceedingly to lose this sister for she has always been one of her most enthusiastic workers.

Our patroness, Mrs. Applegate entertained the chapter recently at a theatre party which was greatly enjoyed. Miss Helen Schell, an Alpha Phi of Northwestern, who attends Wesleyan this year very delightfully entertained our chapter at a Kensington. Light refreshments were served and an enjoyable afternoon spent.

Wishing all chapters the best of all good things for the year nineteen hundred and nine, I am,

Fraternally,

Mabel L. Duncan.

Dear Sisters:

Gamma sends warmest greeting to all Alphas and wishes them the best of success in the new year. Before the old year left us, it saw us well started on another college year, with three new members introduced into the mysteries of Alpha Xi Delta.

One of the most enjoyable functions of the year was the reception given our new President, Rev. W. H. McMaster, in the College halls on Jan. 11th. Mr. McMaster gave a most interesting talk, after which, he greeted personally, all those present. Each of the classes participated in the affair by giving in turn, their class songs and yells. Mr. McMaster is an alumnus of Mt. Union and many of his old friends and acquaintances took occasion to greet him at this time.

The fraternities of Mt. Union recently received notice from Alpha chapter of Delta Gamma, of its withdrawal from the general fraternity. This leaves Alpha Xi Delta alone in the National Sorority world of Mt. Mt. Union.

Fraternally,

K. Olive Bracher.

DELTA.

Dear Sisters:

Delta chapter extends to all her sister chapters a New Year's greeting, wishing them happiness and success throughout the coming year.

After a pleasant Christmas vacation nineteen girls are back to begin the responsibility of a new term.

Delta was well remembered this year by Christmas gifts from friends. Mrs. Miller, our patroness presented us with a beautiful tablecloth and napkins, something which we appreciate very much.

Some unknown friend sent us a punch bowl with glasses. We should like very much to know the sender of this lovely gift. It is the custom of Delta for the girls to present the chapter room with a Christmas gift. This

year we gave a large Alpha banner to the room. Several of the old girls have made known their intentions to send us gifts also.

We have a new room of which we are very proud and we expect to get some new furniture soon.

In the evening of December 19th, 1908, the Alpha girls were entertained at the home of Mrs. B. H. Miller with a dinner. At the dinner the engagement of sister Alice Stevenson, '09 and Mr. Roy Miller, '09 was announced. We had a delightful time and wish Alice all the happiness in the world.

Several new girls are in college this term but we have done little rushing. Next month we expect to have our informal. With best wishes.

Yours Sin.

Jessie A. Smith.

EPSILON.

Dear Sisters:

I am sure you will all be glad to know that Ellen Ball has paid Epsilon a visit. She came on November the seventh and was obliged to leave on the tenth, so you see our time was very short. The first day of her visit was Sunday so we all had dinner together at one of the hotels. On Monday afternoon there was a reception to the ladies and wives of the faculty at the home of our patroness, Mrs. A. B. MacDaniels. Light refreshments were served and by way of entertainment the following program was given.

- Allegro, Sonata Op. 7Grieg
Helen Frazee.
- AbsenceAlfred E. Little
Margherita Sheldon.
- Reading—Laska
Fannie Marquis.
- Love Story from Fireside TalesMac Dowell
Lois Nichols.
- Return of SpringMendelssohn
Lillian Ellis.

On Monday evening a reception was given to the other societies at the home of our patroness, Mrs. W. R. Grange. Early on Tuesday afternoon came our regular business meeting and the inspection.

Since initiation there are nineteen of us in all. The pledges have all become good workers for the honor of Alpha Xi Delta.

Mary A. Nichols

ZETA.

Dear Sisters:

Zeta sends hearty greetings and best wishes for a successful year.

Vacation was very pleasant but we were all very glad to be together once again.

Shortly before school closed for the Holidays, Mrs. John L. Zimmerman entertained informally at tea for our other patronesses and us.

New Years' eve Mss Anna Pieffer entertained in honor of her niece, Mrs. Leo Miller, nee Leta Condi. All the city Alphas were invited.

Wittenberg College expressed its appreciation of its foot ball team by means of a reception, in December. Preparations are now being made to secure a first class coach,—possibly an Indian,—for next year.

As a Christmas gift, Dr. Hamma, Wittenberg's greatest benefactor gave \$50,000 to the college.

The Senior class has elected Edith Smith historian and Hazel Wright secretary. The Faculty elected Clara Dornblaser to give an essay on Commencement day.

Fraternally,

Eula Hazel Wight

ETA.

Dear Sisters:

Another year half gone and the mid-year examinations here. Every Eta girl is spending all her time with her books. No spreads, parties or frivolities of any kind until every exam. is passed. It seems hard to settle down to study after our care free Christmas vacation but it makes us appreciate more the pleasures enjoyed then.

During the vacation, there was a very fine scientific exhibition given in Lyman Hall of Natural Science. Exhibits were brought from several colleges making the display exceptionally good. We only wish that more of the students could have had the advantage of seeing it, as it was very helpful.

Since the last Journal we have pledged and initiated two more girls, Ellen Averton of Belleville, N. Y., and Florence Skeel of Fulton, N. Y. They are both '12 girls making nine in our Freshman delegation.

We wish to tell Zeta Chapter that we have a pair of twins also, Lou and Lisle Leonard. We wonder if you have as much fun and trouble telling your twins apart as we do ours.

Our Freshman party was a decided success this year. It is a formal dance to which we invite only Freshman men to meet our Freshman girls. The rooms were trimmed with palms, carnations and Alpha Xi Delta roses. Upstairs games of various kinds were provided for those who did not dance. Every one seemed to have as good a time as we could have wished.

Eta sends wishes that the remaining college months may be most successful and happy.

Helen Truair.

THETA.

Dear Alpha Xi Delta Sisters:

Theta wishes to announce that she is planning her annual camping

party on Lake Monona, the last week in June. Varsity closes June 23rd and camp will open June 24th. All the girls are very anxious to have Alpha Xi Deltas from other chapters come.

On Nov. 14 we entertained at an informal dancing party at Keeleys. About thirty couples were in attendance. Miss Field, Prof. and Mrs. Goodnight, and Prof. and Mrs. Bode chaperoned. The out-of-town guests were Nell Angell, '06, Florence Simon, '08, Irene Albers and Helga Ekern.

Semester examinations are scheduled for Feb. 8th to 17th and the new semester opens Feb. 23rd.

On the evening of Dec. 19th we entertained the alumnae girls, who had returned to Madison for the holidays and the town girls' mothers. We had an Xmas tree and each person received a gift, supposedly a joke, with an appropriate verse.

On January 9th Theta entertained about eighty girls at a matinee dance at the Woman's Building. Miss Field, Mrs. Bode, and Mrs. Goodnight assisted in receiving.

The Wisconsin girls' Merry Widow hats have caused a great sensation and the girls of each class have met and discussed the advisability of wearing small hats. The freshmen decided to wear white felt hats with white bands; sophomores black felt, Juniors black felt and Seniors the mortar board. Most of the girls however, cling to the more becoming Merry Widow in spite of all discussion. Report said that the Faculty started the "so-called reform" movement, but this has been denied.

Frances C. Albers.

IOTA.

Dear Sisters:

The Iota "Mary-go-round" has just returned with its thick budget of greetings from Alphas near and far. As soon as a full account of chapter news is written, it will whirl away again to the alumnae girls.

The Pan Hellenic Association of the university is to present the play, "A Box of Monkeys" on February 12. The non-sorority girls are to be the guests, and a reception will be given them after the play. Mary Frances Chadwick and Crystal Courtney are Alpha's representatives in the cast and have leading parts assigned them.

During the Winter Course in Agriculture the University Grange takes a prominent part in the entertainment of the visiting farmers from all parts of the state, with receptions, degree-work, etc. Mary and Leda Atkeson are respectively Worthy Flora and Lady Assistant Steward of the local organization.

The quarterly meeting of the University Woman's League was held January 12, in Commencement Hall. It took the form of a mock wedding in which Mrs. Woman's League gave her daughter, Miss W. Virginia Coed, in marriage to Mr. Bachelor of Arts (Crystal Courtney). Needless to say the appointments were in the most approved style. The ushers, brides-

maids, flower girls, bride's relatives, etc., were university girls, the ceremony was perfect in its nonsense, and the whole event was a great success. Leola Smith was one of the bridesmaids, and Lillian Smith made the hit of the evening as "Johnny" the bride's small brother. After the ceremony the bride's mother received the wedding guests at a reception in the Gymnasium.

The Winter Term Convocation address was delivered by Dr. Henry S. Pritchett, President of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. We hope that West Virginia University may soon be placed on the list of approved schools by the Foundation committee.

Iota has been very fortunate in having a "frat room" this year. My, how we did work to get it fixed up in time for the rushing season. It looks very cosy and we have had many good times in it. We gave several informal teas for the new girls last term, also a chafing-dish party for the boys, which proved a success.

Our initiation and banquet were held in the new sorority room on the evening of November 26, when we initiated into Alpha Xi Delta, Leola Smith, niece of Governor-elect Glasscock. Leola has made her home with her uncle for a number of years. We are proud to introduce our new sister, as she is a loyal Alpha and enters heartily into the work.

Elizabeth Sadler entertained the chapter at a six o'clock dinner December 5. The sorority colors were used effectively in the table decorations and the favors included a toothpick and a piece of chewing gum. After a bountiful dinner of the best things you ever ate, we all retired to the parlors to model animals from our chewing gum. Quite a lively half hour was spent in this way, some of the girls proving to be very good artists. We were all glad that the evening train was late and enjoyed every minute of the extra hour it gave.

We had the pleasure of having Mrs. Elsie Jones-Stooksberry of Gamma chapter with us at initiation and also at the dinner-party. Professor Stooksberry is teaching in the Fairmont Normal School at Fairmont, W. Va., just twenty-five miles south of Morgantown, so we hope to have Elsie with us very often in the future.

Many social events are scheduled for the winter quarter. The Annual Military Ball is to take place the 19th of February and will probably be the most brilliant affair in the history of the University.

The annual open meeting of the Beowulf Gedricht will occur February 20th.

Mary M. Atkeson.

KAPPA.

Dear Sisters:

Kappa sends the greetings of the New Year to all sister chapters, and hopes that the coming year will be one filled with high aims and noble achievements for all the members of Alpha Xi Delta.

As a result of the rushing season we initiated Eula and Inez English of Bloomington, Ill., Myrtle Goldcrown, '12, of Gardner, Ill., Gertrude McMackin, '12, of Roanoke, Ill., Louise Jenner, '12, Evansville, Ind., Eva Dedrich, '12, of Geneseo, Ill., and Byne Goodman, '12, Champaign, Ill. The eleventh of January Jessie Campbell, '10, Florence Basset, '10, Homer, Ill., and Ruth Witaker, '12, Chicago, Ill., were initiated. We are very glad to welcome these new sisters into Kappa and introduce them to all Alpha members.

We are all busily preparing for the mid-year "exams." and this, as you all know, means a retirement from the world with a pile of books and a "grouchy" temper. So fare thee well, sisters all, until we emerge with happy faces and sunny dispositions.

Grace Spencer.

LAMBDA.

Dear Sisters:

May the New Year be happier and more prosperous than ever for all the chapters!

Since the last time we wrote our membership has increased from eleven to fifteen, by the addition of four freshmen to our number. We are most fortunate this year, in getting such nice girls, as the rushing has been unusually hard and strenuous. The initiation took place on December the thirteenth, at the home of Marion Orne, '07, and we welcomed to our number the following new sisters:—

Edith Harriet Bradford, Somerville,
Helen Camille Jackson, Medford,
Lillian Cora Smith, Exeter,
Lena Frances Fuller, Chelsea.

Besides our big rush party, and several smaller ones, Mrs. Carrie Sibley-Saunders kindly entertained many of the freshmen girls at her pretty home in Brookline. After enjoying "bridge," a dainty spread was served.

The "Flag rush," a custom which is always enjoyed at Tufts, was carried out with its usual fervor this year, and the freshmen are still exulting about their victory over the sophomores.

We all enjoyed a good time recently at the home of Ethel Aiken, in Everett. After a luncheon, we made the occasion happier by learning some new sorority songs.

On December the eighteenth, we gave a real Christmas party in the Gymnasium, to introduce our new members. The first part of the evening was devoted to cards, after which we enjoyed dancing until midnight. The "Gym." looked especially merry in its holiday attire.

Our Christmas tree, which we enjoy together with the alumnae, was held at the home of Persis Hannah. Santa Claus showered us all with appropriate gifts.

Our own Christmas was perhaps made more happy, because of the appreciation of a grateful family, to whom our chapter gave a Christmas dinner.

In the '09 play, "Higby of Harvard," which was given before the All Around Club, our three seniors took part. Later the juniors were as well represented in "The Elopement of Ellen."

Fraternally,

Elsie May Chandler.

MU

Dear Sisters:

Mu chapter sends to you all her best wishes for a most delightful and successful year.

On November the fourteenth the pretty wedding of Mina Shaetzel, '08, to Dr. William Sidney Hitchings, '08, took place at the home of the bride's mother. Miss Marie Shaetzel acted as maid of honor. Miss Lucy White sang "Oh Promise Me," and Miss Grace Gilbert played "Lohengrin's" wedding march as the bridal party entered. Three Alpha Xi Delta girls assisted, Grace Gilbert, Clara Beck and Helen Spink. Besides the immediate relatives and friends there were several girls of Mu chapter. Among them were Vinnie Hitching, the groom's sister, Georgia Belle Elwell, Mary Shiely, Lucy White, Grace Gilbert, Clara Beck and Helen Spink. Dr. and Mrs. Hitchings are now living at Belbrade, Minnesota.

Miss Leila McDermott gave an informal tea November 13, at her home for Mu chapter and a few friends.

We noticed in all the Journal letters that each chapter had a number of new initiates to introduce to us. We are very sorry not to be able to do the same but according to the Pan-Hellenic rules here at Minnesota, Pledge day does not come until the third week in April.

Minnesota is sorrowing greatly over the resignation of President Northrup which is to take effect at the close of this school year.

Our annual Christmas party was held this year at the home of Elsie Lathrop. The house was very prettily decorated in pink roses. Each girl gave an Xmas present to Mu's chapter room and besides this there was a small Xmas tree which held small presents for each Alpha.

Very fraternally yours,

Helen Spink.

NU.

Dear Sisters:

Nu sends New Year's greetings to all her sister chapters.

On the evening of December 19th, the Saturday before the girls left for their homes to spend the holidays, the active members, pledges and alumnae enjoyed Christmas tree party at the chapter house. Presents in the nature of jokes were received by every girl. As the presents were being distributed, two lovely gifts for the house were found on the tree, one of which

came from Mary Kay and the other from Marion Wrigley of Alpha chapter. These gifts were, indeed, greatly appreciated.

Hallowe'en was celebrated by a party at the house. The rooms were decorated with autumn leaves and jack-o-lanterns. After passing the evening with games fitting the occasion, cider and doughnuts, popcorn and apples were served.

An informal dance was held at the house during the Thanksgiving vacation.

Although we cannot initiate our pledges, according to the new faculty ruling until the second semester, they received their first introduction to Alpha's nanny goat on the evening of January 9th. This introduction satisfied us completely with regard to the enduring qualities of our pledges, and proved them worthy of advance honors in Alpha Xi Delta. The regular initiation will take place about February 1st.

Nu is very busy planning for its one big reception of the year. This will be held at the Chapter House during the afternoon and evening of Feb. 5th, and will serve to introduce the newly initiated pledges to the university world.

During the last few weeks, Nu's members have been filled with sympathy for Lela Parker, one of our seniors, whose mother died during the Christmas holidays, following a very brief illness. Through Mrs. Parker's death, Nu has lost one of its best friends, for she was always ready to help the girls in any way that she could.

So far this year our chapter our sorority has the best place in scholarship and the president has written us several nice notes commending our high standing.

Adelaide Fischer, '09

XI.

Dear Alpha Xi Delta Sisters:

Our second term has begun very auspiciously. At the very beginning of the term we received the welcome news, that the Court of Appeals, by unanimous vote of its members, upheld the constitutionality of the law enacted at the last session of the Legislature, by the terms of which \$570,000 was appropriated for the advancement of education in Kentucky. This is the largest appropriation of public moneys ever made in Kentucky for educational purposes and \$225,000 of this amount has been appropriated to our University.

Mary Estill Scott, of Richmond, Kentucky, one of Psi's charter members was initiated into Alpha Xi Delta November 27. She was graduated from the University in 1906 and was one of the brightest and most popular girls of her class. She is teaching, this year at Pineville, Ky. We are indeed glad to welcome her into Alpha Xi Delta.

During the Thanksgiving holidays, Eva Nunnelly entertained with an elegant dinner party at her home on West High St. The party was given

in honor of Mary Scott and the Alpha Xi Delta girls were the guests. The table was decorated in white chrysanthemums and the dinner was served in several delicious courses.

Basket ball season is at its height at State University. Several of our girls are playing this year and with Nell Wallis as captain we have every reason to expect a winning team.

Several of our girls gave our room Christmas presents, consisting of pictures, pennants, pillows and a beautiful white skin with Alpha Xi Delta coat of-arms in buff.

Lida Jones.

BOSTON ALUMNAE.

Dear Girls:

Boston Alumnae wishes all her Alpha Xi Delta Sisters a bright and happy New Year.

The last Saturday in October our first meeting for the season was held with Betsey Harmon-Lowe, '04, at her new home in Somerville. You will remember that Betsey was our June bride. We had a large and enthusiastic meeting. Gussanda Countyway, '04 was with us again. Last year she taught in Helena, Montana, but is now in the East once more.

Our chief discussion was as to how we could improve the nature of our meetings and how to enliven the interest of our girls in the "Alpha Xi Delta." In respect to the latter we finally decided that two articles were to be sent to the Editor from Boston Alumnae for each issue of the Journal and a vote was carried to that effect. Of course we may not be so fortunate as to have one of these articles chosen each time, but they will show our interest. The girls of the Alumnae chapters are older and more widely experienced, and so should have something worth while to write.

Since the meeting at her home Betsey Harmon-Lowe has been operated upon for appendicitis, but is now quite well again.

Our November meeting was at the home of Ethel Fuller, '08, in Everett. We were glad to have with us Olive Ryan, '03. We do not see Olive as often as we should like, because she is teaching in Westerly, R. I., too far away for her to be able to attend our meetings.

The day after Christmas the Tufts College Alumnae Association had its Annual Business Meeting and Luncheon at the Hotel Bellevue, in Boston. Lena Abbe, '01, was elected president and Lucy Gardner, '97, corresponding secretary. At the luncheon Grace Carleton Mansfield, ex-'98, was toastmistress. Gussanda Countway, '04 responded to the toast of the "Tufts College Woman as a Teacher," and Laila Campbell Nye, '06, to that of "The Tufts College Woman in Business." Julia Gibbs-Adams, '03, was called upon to give an impromptu toast in "The Tufts College Woman in Medicine." She responded in her usual bright and witty manner. We were pleased to have so many of our girls take such prominent parts.

After the luncheon we Alpha Xi Delta girls went to the home of Guss-

anda Countway in Somerville. We were to play bridge, but were so busy talking over the luncheon and telling the girls who were not there about it, that bridge received only a small share of our attention. We had a most delicious spread. We all went home well pleased with our day and the part that Alpha Xi Delta had taken in it.

Laila Campbell Nye, Boston Alumnae.

Engagements

Delta.

Delta wishes to announce the engagement of Miss Alice Stevenson, '09, Columbus, Ohio, to Mr. Roy Miller, '09, Braddock, Pennsylvania.

Eta.

The engagement of Molly Curtis, '09 and Mr. Joseph Friedel of Syracuse has been announced.

The engagement of Laura Tobin, 1911, to Mr. John Lautz, *Delta Upsilon*, of Buffalo, N. Y., is announced.

Lambda.

The engagement is announced of Phebe Chandler Johnson, '06, to Mr. Arthur Murdock, of New York City.

The engagement of Annie Rebecca McCoy, '08 to Mr. Gilbert Dixon Boyd, *Delta Upsilon*, '09, was recently announced.

Marriages

Epsilon.

The marriage of Miss Nina Wallace of Pochantas, Ia., to Mr. R. Jassamen of Scotland, S. D., has been announced.

Eta.

At Fort Edward N. Y., Dec. 1908 occurred the marriage of Lena Crammond, ex. '08, to Rev. James Harvey Dunhann, *Phi Gamma Delta*.

Mu.

The marriage of Mina Schaetzel, to Dr. William Sidney, Hitchings, *Phi Beta Pi*. '08, took place Nov. 14, 1908.

Alliance Alumnae.

December 30th, Beulah Kirlin to Rev. Homer H. Moore, *Sigma Nu*. They will reside in Pembina, North Dakota.

Births

Alpha.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Sam O. Logan (Eskridge Pittman) of Prescott, Ark., a daughter, Florence, October the tenth.

Born, a daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. John Andrew, (Grace Schnur), October 28th.

Delta.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Erskine (Virginia Stewart), December 6th, 1908, a son, William Henry.

Epsilon.

Born to Mrs. and Mrs. E. Sweet, a daughter, James Edward, on January thirteenth, Rayid City, S. D.

Iota.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Quick (Drusilla V. Johnson,), a daughter, Martha Emma, on October sixth, Morgantown, W. Va.

Lambda.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Van Ness Needham (Flounce Garton, '05) a son, Joseph Garton Needham, Nove. 22, 1908, Brandon, Vt.

Born to Professor and Mrs. William K. Dennison (patroness) a son, Richard Howland, on Oct 6, 1908.

Personals

ALPHA.

Miss Berta Pittman and Miss Lella Bally spent the Thanksgiving holidays as guests of Miss Mabel Hendel.

Miss Hortense Stebbins spent the Thanksgiving holidays with Miss Amy Cole of Williamsfield, Ill.

Miss Grace Schoettler of Buda, Ill., visited recently Margaret Baret, of Galesburg.

Miss Mima Hughes spent several days in Galesburg visiting friends.

Miss Florance Kober of Macomb was a Lombard visitors, Oct. 24, 25.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Colby (Florence Hollister) have moved to Marshall Minnesota.

Miss Mabel Irwin is attending St. Lawrence University. Miss Irwin's address is Box 761, Canton, New York.

A department of Music and Dramatic Art has been added to the "Lombard Review." Miss Nell Provost was elected editor.

Miss Virginia Denny has a position as teacher in the public schools at Great Falls, Montana.

Miss Mabel Sammons of Joliet was elected a member of the national executive board of Y. P. C. U. at their recent convention.

Mrs W. D. Buchanan (Jennie Marriot) of Tacoma, Wash., was recently called east by the illness and death of her father at La Moille, Iowa.

Miss Phylis Jones of Galesburg has been absent from school for several weeks on account of the serious illness of her mother.

Mary Thorn of Elgin is teaching in the public schools of Chicago. Her address 416 Park Street, Elgin.

BETA.

Elizabeth Lauer visited at Hershey Hall a few days this week.

May Johnson spent part of her Christmas vacation visiting relatives at Burlington.

Myrtle Lauer and Elva Potts attended an over-Sunday house party at Richland last week.

Effie Peden and Elva Potts visited friends in Fairfield during vacation

Amy and Alice Cheney and Bess Randel were initiated into the P. E. O. sisterhood by their home chapters recently.

Louise Brady was recently elected president of the House Organization at Hershey Hall.

Alice Cheney was elected president of Y. W. C. A. this year.

Mabel Duncan was elected to the Senior class play committee.

An Alpha dinner party was given at Albia New Year's evening. Maud Maiken, '06, from South Dakota, Helen, Coe, '08, from Muscatine, Blanche Heiserman from Albia and Mabel Duncan from Mt. Pleasant and some specially invited guests were present.

GAMMA.

Marie Riker spent a part of her Christmas vacation with the girls at the frat house.

Maud Grove, Nita Hessin and Bessie Sanor are Gamma's latest initiates.

Mabel Heckler spent several days with Marie Riker at Ohio Wesleyan recently.

Nita Hessin visited relatives in Sidney, O. during the holidays.

Lucille Strong, who has been teaching in the high school at Columbiana, gave up her position at the holidays, on account of ill health and is now at her home in North Benton.

Nancy Copeland spent Saturday and Sunday with the girls a short time ago.

Olive Bracher visited her sister in Pittsburg before the holidays.

Nellie Saltsman spent the holidays with her parents in Carrollton, O.

EPSILON.

Margaret Miller spent the holidays at her home in Vermillion.

Julia Sweet spent several days of the Christmas vacation with friends in Yankton, S. D.

Alice Brenne visited us during her short Thanksgiving recess.

Owing to her mother's illness Marghereta Sheldon returned to her home for several weeks. We were very glad to have her back after the holidays.

Esther Johnson is to be the leading lady in the Sophomore Class Play. This is something of an honor, for not only ability but a high standard of scholarship is required of those who take part.

ZETA.

Elizabeth Sudhoff visited us at the time of the Earlham-Wittenberg game in November.

We were very glad to have Margorie Smith and Anna Miller spend Thanksgiving with us.

Lillian Seybold and Hazel Wright attended the state convention of Y. W. C. A., at Granville, Ohio.

Ruth Collier spent a few days of her Xmas vacation with Margaret Fornshell at Miamisburg, Ohio.

Mrs. Leo Miller spent the Holidays with her aunt in Springfield.

Catherine Greenawalt and Ruth Scheehardt on their return to school spent a day with the Kellen 'Twins'. All returned to school together.

ETA.

Miss Lena Baldwin spent over a week with us in the fall at the time of initiation. We all enjoyed her visit very much.

The Rev. B. VanVliet Putman, father of Elaine Putnam, '08 has accepted a call as assistant pastor of the South Presbyterian, Syracuse, N. Y. We hope to see Elaine often now.

Miss Lucile Thornton ex. '10, spent a week at the chapter house in the fall. We are glad that she is to be back next year.

THETA.

Louise Erb, '08, who is teaching at Phillips, has been with us since Jan. 2nd. Her vacation was extended until Jan. 18th.

Florence Simon, '08, spent Thanksgiving vacation at the house.

Pearl Blanchard, '12, was initiated Dec. 4th.

Bess Adams, '06, is studying at Northwestern University.

Theo Fenton spent a few days before the Xmas recess with us she is teaching domestic science in Columbus, Ohio.

Clarissa Kuhns, '11 is pledged to us.

Elizabeth Erb spent her Xmas vacation at the house.

Prof. and Mrs. Goodnight entertained our chapter at an "At Home" in December.

Mrs. Reardon of Rhinelander spent Thanksgiving, with Una here.

Irene Albers of Warsaw, Wis., visited in November.

Rowena Throop of Kewanee, Ill., visited Betty Tucker in December.

Mrs. Veil was with us in December.

Polly Fenton, '06, who is taking library school work, goes to Antigo in February to do practice work.

Nell Angell, Lenore Henderson and Elizabeth Erb spent week-ends with us occasionally.

IOTA.

Elizabeth Sadler and her mother spent three months with relatives and friends in Iowa and Chicago. They returned to their home in Point Marion, Pa., about the middle of November. While in Chicago, Bess enjoyed a pleasant call at the new home of Mildred Brady-Mershon of Beta chapter.

Mary Meek Atkeson returned to Morgantown the first of November to take up her work in the University again. She visited in Kansas and Missouri all summer and reports a fine time riding bucking bronchos.

The western fever struck Iota last summer, and three of our girls spent the summer and part of the fall in the west. Lillian Smith promised to bring us each a cow-boy from Oklahoma, but unfortunately, they had gone to Texas with the cattle on account of the drouth.

Ethel Green has recovered from an attack of typhoid fever, but will remain at home this winter until her health is entirely restored.

Mrs. T. C. Atkeson has been suffering with a severely sprained ankle for the past few weeks.

Mrs. W. J. Leonard was called to Tewksbury, Mass., last term on account of the death of her mother.

Rev. and Mrs. E. B. Quick have moved to Dravosburg, Pa., where Mr. Quick is pastor of the Christian church. We miss them very much but are glad of Mr. Quick's advancement.

Mrs. C. Harrison Smith and Lillian Smith spent the Thanksgiving holidays with friends in Charleston, W. Va.

Mary Cooper, '08 is teaching in the public schools at Charleston, W. Va.

Mabel Weaver, '08 is teaching in the public schools in Morgantown.

Nancy Coplin, who expected to return to the University this year is teaching in Grafton, W. Va. She accepted the position the day before school opened.

Edith Gallaher, one of Iota's pladges, has been compelled to give up her University work for the present on account of poor health.

Mary Meek Atkeson has been elected head of the English Club, (the only honorary organization in the University.) As she is also Editor-in-Chief of the "Monongalian," she has an unusual share of honors.

Crystal Courtney has the honor of "Se Lyttle Scop" in the Beowulf Gedricht this year. She will tell one of the stories at the annual open meeting in February.

Mrs. C. E. Hogg has just returned from a visit to her old home at Pleasant, W. Va. Her daughter, Mary Hogg, has returned to Morgantown after attending an art school in Baltimore, Md., the past term.

Cora Edna Jackson has returned to her home in Ronceverte, W. Va.

KAPPA.

Eva Rule, '01 spent the end of the Holidays in Champaign.

Eule English has left school on account of illness.

Mrs. Mangold, '08 has returned to her home in Baldwin, Kans., after spending a short time with her parents in Homer, Ill.

Mattie Fargo, '06, is librarian in the Iowa State Normal, Cedar Falls.

Lura Case, ex. '11, is attending business college, at Peoria.

Clarrine Llewellyn is teaching physical training at the Jacksonville school for the blind.

Nellie Branch spent the holidays in Champaign.

LAMBDA.

Betsey Harman Lowe, '04 matronized at an informal Alpha Tau Omega party after the Tufts-Bowdoin football game.

Persis D. Hannah, '07 has left her position on the Boston "Herald" for one on the "Traveler."

Emily Cate, '08, is studying art at the Museum Art School in Boston.

Florence McCoy, '05, spent a week with Ada Buzzell-Macomber, ex. '05, at her home in Central Village, Mass., a Quaker community.

Beatrice MacFarland, '08, is conducting a private kindergarten class at her home in Somerville.

Gussanda Countway, '04, has left her position in the High School of New Haven, Conn., for one in the Chelsea, Mass., High School.

Ethel Reed, 1900, is teaching in Orange.

Ethel Fuller, '07, is teaching Science in Stoneham.

MU

Mary Helson, '07, Fannie Gordinier, '08 and Myrtle Jones, '07, spent the holidays in the twin cities.

Miss Alice Helson entertained at a delightful afternoon party in honor of her sister, Mary and the alumnae who were with us during the holidays.

NU.

Madie Willimann, '07, who has been at home for several months on account of a prolonged illness, has resumed her work as teacher at Kirkland, Wash.

Myrtle Parr, May Chambers and Pearl Gilkey, some of Nu's alumnae, spent the Christmas holidays in Seattle.

Marion Wrigley, of Alpha Chapter, is planning a trip to California to be taken in the near future.

Edith Potter, '12, was a guest during the holidays at a Delta Tau Delta house party.

Hazel Geisseman, Lillian Esary and Ethel Everett, who are not in College this year, have paid visits to Nu during the fall and winter.

XI.

Anna Simrall visited Jane Wanless and Cottell Greogary, in Louisville during the Thanksgiving holidays. Several pretty parties were given in her honor and she enjoyed her visit very much.

Mary Lockridge, '07 is teaching in North Middletown.

Iva Boreing, '11, who has been boarding at Patterson hall will be with relatives in our town after January 20.

At the regular election of officers of the Neville Literary Society held its second week of January, Lida Jones was elected president for the second term, beginning Jan. 1909.

Mary Scott, '06 spent several days with Anna and Elizabeth Wallis Thanksgiving.

On the evening of December 26th, Nell Walls entertained with a beautiful dinner party. The decorations were very attractive and uniquely suggested the season.

Cottell Greogary has an excellent position in Louisville Girls' High School.

Lillian Ferguson went to Louisville, Jan. 23 for a week-end visit to Jane Wanless, and to attend the wedding of a friend.

Lida Jones, Nell Wallis and Helen Dickey spent several days in Danville during the last week of November.

ALLIANCE ALUMNAE.

Alliance Alumni wishes to announce the marriage of Beulah Kirlin and Homer Haven Moore, '04 Drew Theological Seminary '07, which took place at the home of the bride, Dec. 30th. Rev. Moore is a member of Sigma Nu Fraternity at Mt. Union and this wedding is the culmination of one of the many school day romances for which Mt. Union is famous. Rev. and Mrs. Moore will live in North Dakota. The girls regret that their home must be so far away and hope that a few years will find them with us again.

Eloise Patton-McKnight of Pittsburg and son William Jr., are spending a few days with her parents.

Anna Jones-Yaggi of Cleveland and Elsie Jones Stokesberry visited their uncle during the holidays.

Mary Kay has been teaching for the past few weeks during the illness of one of the teachers in the city schools.

Alice Hinshilwood went to Akron Jan. 16th to see Nazimova in Ibsen's Doll House.

Fern Fogle Holtz visited her mother during the holidays.

Kathryn Keith was a Cleveland visitor the latter part of December.

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Grand Convention Notice.

THE fifth convention of Alpha Xi Delta will take place October 28th, 29th and 30th, at Syracuse, New York. All those who contemplate attending may address Miss Helen Truair, 414 Irving Avenue, Syracuse, N. Y., for information concerning accommodations.

It is urged that the chapters appoint their representative as early as possible and report their names to the Grand Secretary not later than June 15th. It is also requested that the grand officers and chapter secretaries submit their lists of the subjects they wish discussed at the coming convention some time before the close of the present school year. From these lists a partial outline of the work of the convention will be made and sent to the chapters early in the fall in order that the delegates may have an intelligent preparation for the business sessions and that valuable time may be saved.

It is hoped that a larger number of alumnae than usual may attend this convention. With Eta chapter as hostess a most delightful time may be anticipated with no fear of possible disappointment.

MARY EMILY KAY,
Grand Secretary, A. X. D.

April 5th, 1909.

The Social Customs of the Upper Classes in Japan.

LAFCADIO Hearn, while staying for a few days at the home of a Japanese fisherman noticed on the mantel a grotesque wooden god, that had but one eye. On asking the cause of this maimed condition, he learned that gods were often purchased without eyes, or even hands and feet, and then given them, according to their deserts. This particular god had received his one eye after a heavy haul of fish and was being kept waiting for the other, till in his anxiety to receive it, he should again bring good luck to the fisherman.

"Such faith in toy gods," says Mr. Hearn, "belongs to that simplicity of heart which makes the nearest to pure goodness."

It is probably this simplicity of heart, so characteristic of the Japanese, that causes their delight in social festivities, and makes every event of importance the excuse for much ceremony. Naturally, the most important of these ceremonies centers about a birth, a marriage, or a death.

When a baby is born, a special messenger is sent to the relatives and friends and notes are mailed to less intimate acquaintances. Every one thus notified calls and brings a gift. Before it is a week old the baby must be named. A girl is named for a flower, but a boy's name is apt to terminate in a syllable indicating his number in a series. In addition to this ordinary name, baby must have a true name, kept sacred for occasions of ceremony.

As white is the badge of mourning, a Japanese baby is dressed in bright colors, which, in the case of a boy, change to more sober ones as he grows older.

When a month old, the baby, in a gay silk kimona, embroidered with the family crest, is taken to the temple, where offerings are made, and an amulet received, which must be worn ever after in a little bag at the side, to keep away evil.

By this time return presents are to be sent to all who made the baby gifts. These may be elaborate or simple. Sometimes candies are bought at the temple, and sometimes rice is sent in a carved box, placed on a lacquered tray and covered with a richly embroidered cloth. A slip of white paper is usually sent back in this box, as it is bad luck to return anything empty.

Imperial babies are held in the arms of some one night and day, and the children of the very wealthy are carried by attendants, but most babies, even of the upper classes, are strapped to the backs of nurses, or members of the family.

A child is taught from the first to sit with his knees bent under him, a custom which prevents the development of the legs, and partially accounts for the Japanese shortness of stature.

Until she is a year old, a girl's head is shaved in fancy patterns, while a boy's is unshaved, except for an occasional wedge shaped que, in the fashion of the old warriors. At three the little girl lets her hair grow, and at seven she changes her soft, narrow sash for the stiff obi, of which she is as proud as her brother is of his first pleated trousers given him when he is five. All these changes are attended with much ceremony and journeys are made to the temple on each occasion, to receive the blessing of the patron god.

On the third of March comes the Feast of the Dolls.

This custom of having a feast on the third day of the third month is ancient. At first the day was set apart for purification, and it was thought that the sins of the year might be washed away if the body were rubbed with bits of white paper, cut to resemble priests. The first Japanese dolls were like these bits of paper. Many noble families have a fire proof room where a wonderful miniature household has been preserved and added to, for centuries.

On the eventful day the dolls are arranged on red shelves in the best room. The dolls on the upper shelf always represent the Emperor, the Empress, and five court musicians, while the other dolls are arranged on the lower shelves. Occasionally one sees dolls representing the nobility of old Japan, seated in lacquered carts, drawn by tiny, black bulls. For three days the dolls are dressed and served by the children of the household, and then

packed away for another year. This celebration is said to teach the children a little housekeeping, a good deal of ceremonial etiquette, and loyalty to the royal families.

The day of interest to the boys, coming two months later, is the Feast of Flags, and on this day giant fish, emblems of strength and agility, are hung outside the houses.

Throughout the year the entertainments given are appropriate to the season. In the early spring a young girl receives her guests amid the cherry blossoms of her garden, but in the fall she is likely to give a chrysanthemum party, with everything, even to the embroidery on her dress n keeping. It is customary for guests to arrive ahead of time, and if they stay late it is perfectly proper for the host to retire if he wishes.

Instead of the ringing of bells, the hands are clapped, to summon servants, a signal readily heard through the thin partitions.

As a Japanese would suffer rather than appear ill bred, even the servants are carefully trained in matters of etiquette. If the hostess is out, and the daughter of the house unable to be present, the servants exchange greetings, pour tea and entertain the guest with polite conversation till the mistress returns.

The tea used for ceremony is a fine, green powder. Tea is made in a bowl, stirred with a bamboo whisk until it foams, and then handed to the guest of highest rank, who drinks it in three gulps. Tea is made for each guest in the same bowl. So complicated is this art of serving tea that it is taught by regular instructors, and it is said that one thoroughly versed in the requirements may be distinguished at all times by her superior manners.

When a Japanese woman speaks, her voice is sweet and low, but when she sings her tones are very like those of the insects offered for sale in Tokio, in cages.

Music is left to women, priests and blind men, and dancing is seldom indulged in by women of the upper classes. From the first, the girls of Japan are taught obedience, self restraint, and cheerfulness in the superlative degree.

The average age for marriage is sixteen, the husband being chosen by the girl's parents. The ceremony, which is neither religious nor legal, is very simple. The two drink wine from a

two-spouted cup, and the bride changes her dress for one furnished by her husband.

When there is a death the friends call at once, and must be received in the death chamber. Parents need not attend the funeral of a child. Everything is done by the younger brother and sisters. After the burial or cremation a tablet for the dead person is placed in the family shrine, where food is kept, and incense always burning.

The dragon-flies of Japan are beautiful and it is believed that during the three days Festival of the Dead, which takes place in the seventh month, many spirits revisit their homes either with the help of insects or actually in their form.

The life at court is rigid in the extreme and the court ladies live a life of monotony.

The old gentleman warrior of Japan was allowed two wives, in addition to his rightful one. The Emperor is given twelve, and the present heir to the throne is not the son of the Empress.

Many writers on Japan speak of the marked difference in the faces of the upper and lower classes. The nobility have high noses and oval faces, while the features of their inferiors are broad and flat.

But all classes are interesting and attractive, and possess qualities that are praiseworthy.

A natural modesty and a hatred of ostentation, a cheery, irresistible hospitality, loyalty, and a love of everything beautiful are national characteristics of the Japanese.

GRACE CARLETON-MANSFIELD,

Lambda, Boston Alumnae.

SONNET.

I know not all the brightness of the day
For gray, ethereal curtains bar my eyes
To distant beauties,—the far glorious skies,
Rich-streaked with purple light from sunset's ray,
And morn's soft colors, and the hills that May
Empurples in the West. And no surmise,
Nor dull penned words, nor brush the artist plies
Can shed their fullest splendor on my way.
And yet, curbed vision leaves a broader field
For uncurbed fancy's realm, and wilfully
My fancy roams among the unrevealed.
Rich-dight with color, there, are penciled free
Wild airy towers, soft clouds, and sunset gleams,
That crowd the wide horizon of my dreams.

—*Mary Meek Atkeson, Iota.*

Excerpts From Examination Papers.

Several questions in the recent sorority examination gave opportunity for the expression of personal opinions and it has been suggested that the chapter might be interested in knowing each other's views on questions of common interest. It is to be regretted that so many of the examination papers were not received in time to obtain some of the good ideas which they undoubtedly contain.

Among many interesting opinions offered concerning the ever important question of sorority expansion it was noted that four chapters, Beta, Delta, Iota and Xi urge the South as the most desirable field for A. X. D., arguing the rapid improvement among Southern schools and the fact that the field is practically unoccupied by the larger sororities, as reason for their attitude. As a general thing the members of each chapter seemed to have a common opinion, all preferring either a small conservative sorority or all advising a larger one represented in all parts of the country. For the general good of the sorority it is to be hoped that such questions will continue to be discussed in chapter meetings, that the chapters may learn not to vote against petitioners for foolish and trivial reasons and, at the same time, not to vote affirmatively without carefully examining the petitions and making sure that conditions warrant the granting of a charter.

"I firmly believe in a conservative policy of extension, but it seems to me the South should be better represented. We have chapters scattered throughout the west, and the north has a good share of our chapters. It seems to me that it is now the turn of the South, as it has colleges and universities equal in every way to those in the North. I think our extension has been quite fast enough the last few years, but of course we should not miss the opportunity to enter a good school on account of a false idea of conservatism."

—IOTA.

"We would prefer to have A. X. D., known as a small conservative sorority. It seems to us that it would stand for more

than if it were large and more generally represented and it would be more of an honor to belong to it." —EPSILON.

"To me the best extension policy would be to have the sorority conservative only in the material of the chapters, or organizations, to which chapters are granted. So long as we are careful to keep up the standard I should say, let it be as widely represented as possible. —MU.

"I would prefer that Alpha Xi Delta should not be conservative simply for the sake of being conservative. There are fraternities and sororities who boast of conservatism as something to be proud of. On the other hand I don't think it a wise policy to grant charters right and left simply for the sake of numbers. But I should like very much to see Alpha Xi Delta represented in all sections of the country, always considering, in granting a charter, the size and position of the school and the strength of the local petitioning." —ZETA.

"My opinion is that the field for our sorority lies in the State Universities and that an opportunity should never be lost to place a chapter in one of these institutions, where we can obtain reasonably good material. Of course where there are several strong nationals it is hardly possible to find the very foremost girls in a local, but there are often girls of sterling worth to be found outside of the sororities, and these girls, with proper encouragement, are capable of forming the nucleus of a strong chapter for future years.

I do not favor the granting of chapters to other Colleges unless they have large endowments, great possibilities, and there is plenty of material with the field not over crowded with sororities.

I have no especial preference for the large sorority other than that it should represent all sections of the country." —XI.

"My opinion for the extension of Alpha Xi Delta is that she keep as much as possible in the State Universities, going of course into schools of importance that are not State Universities, but not into small schools."

I favor her southern movement especially as I think the south affords, many brilliant girls.

I should prefer to see Alpha Xi Delta represented in all sections of the country. Not large and common, but widely known. I think it is very good to be conservative locally, and not have too large a chapter roll." —BETA.

Alpha Xi Delta would do well to extend her policy of extension to the far west and to the extreme south.

The west is a land of vast resources and as that part of our country is progressing almost marvelously it is reasonable to believe that her institutions of learning will soon equal and ere long surpass those of the east.

The institutions of the west are already strong enough to support sororities, and it would be a wise thing to place chapters now so that they can grow and unfold with the institution.

The west produces a type of young women that would appeal to any sorority that advocates broad principles of real extension. They are strong in mind and body and are well fitted to take upon themselves the duties of loyal Alpha Xi Delta's. Truly, it has been said that the western university of today is the Yale and Harvard of tomorrow. In the far south, a field which sororities have not entered readily, dwell a race of young women who by heredity are fitted to embody our principles. Loyalty is almost a watch-word with a southern girl. These intelligent, well bred daughters of the Huguenots are fitted to nobly uphold the royal standards of Alpha Xi Delta.

I would prefer a general sorority, and with chapters placed in the large institutions of the west as well as the east and in the best institutions of the south as well as the north. For to be truly national we must have chapters from the Atlantic to the Pacific, from the great lakes to the Gulf of Mexico." —XI.

A few of many well expressed ideas concerning the qualities considered most necessary for a sorority fellow.

"A sorority should have many different kinds of girls: we need the solid, thoughtful girl but we need, too, the girl whose social instinct makes her a society leader. Not only does each learn from the other, but the sorority can thus be represented in and encourage all the activities of the college."

GAMMA.

"The qualities we consider most necessary in a sorority member are scholarship, attractive appearance, good standing on the campus and the correct attitude toward the faculty and the other students. We also like to have her a "good mixer" and to have at least an ordinarily good disposition. Our chapter is always either already acquainted with a rushee through our own members or else secures several good recommendations from responsible citizens in the place where she lives, before bidding her."

—EPSILON.

In voting on a new member the standing of her family, her own individual characteristics and qualities in view of the needs of the Chapter, the girl's standing in her college classes, and the possibilities which lie latent in her of developing into an all round good sorority girl—all these must be taken into consideration. I am afraid that too often, a girl is considered desirable for financial reasons, especially if she is to be a house girl—but, I think, this should in no way enter into the question of her eligibility as a member.

—NU.

One of the chief difficulties in forming Pan-Hellenics is to enforce rushing rules after they are made. In response to the question as to what would be a suitable punishment for a sorority who deliberately broke the compact a number of suggestions were made a few of which are given below:

"No punishment was included in the compact agreed to here (Minnesota) but it would seem no more than right if such an agreement were broken that the offending chapter should be denied some of her rushing privileges; or if the offense were particularly flagrant the sorority in question should be expelled from the local Pan-Hellenic and public notice of the action made."

—MU.

"I think a fitting punishment for a sorority that deliberately broke a Pan-Hellenic compact after agreeing to abide by it, would be to force the sorority in question to take a later pledge day than the other sororities have."

—DELTA.

"I would suggest as a punishment in the case of a sorority breaking a compact, that the account of the offence be sent to the

Inter Sorority Convention, and there publically discussed, so that it may be known that a chapter of the said sorority had failed in honoring the very underlying principles of the sorority. It seems to me the fear of bringing the whole sorority into disrepute would act as the strongest possible restraining influence."

—DELTA.

As some of the evils of the very late pledge day will be given on another page, the draw backs to having a matriculation pledge day are included here.

"Our local compact with regard to rushing is as follows this year; 'A girl can not be rushed until she has registered at college

A girl can be pledged any time after matriculation.

After matriculation, a sorority can make all the rushing dates with a girl that it chooses, but before matriculation, no date except that for registration can be made.

If a party is given by a sorority girl at which high school girls are present, and two active members of the sorority are, with no representatives from other sororities also present, it is construed as rushing. A fine of \$5 is imposed if a sorority breaks this compact.'

This plan is not very successful. Although several individual sororities met with success by this compact, it is severely criticized by the faculty and will not be permitted for next year. After a girl had registered there was a mad rush for her by the different sororities, to see who would date her up first, and it was usually the sorority who dated her first that was successful in getting the girl.

The punishment that I would suggest in the case of a sorority that breaks the compact, is to impose a \$25 fine, and also to demand an apology from the offending sorority in the college paper.

“One argument in favor of the fraternity system is that it teaches one how to perform social duties, not only the duties in social affairs, but, what is more important, the duties toward others in a social compact. The fraternities stand for high ideals and even if they fail to realize the highest, they are the better for the effort for realization. The fraternity member learns valuable lessons in parliamentary law and in the management of financial affairs. The fraternity keeps the earnest, conscientious student from developing into a grind and from neglecting the social side of her nature which is fully as important as the intellectual side. On the other hand, the fraternity stands for scholarship, encouraging those who are inclined to neglect their work, to do their best that the fraternity's standard may not be lowered. The association in the fraternity brings out the quiet student in the most desirable way. It helps her to learn to express herself and fits her for contact with those whom she will have to meet in life.”

1st. The fraternity was originally established as a protective league.

2nd. It gives some girls a well deserved social standing which they might not have otherwise.

3rd. The fraternity teaches one business habits; makes one responsible.

4th. It fosters leadership.

5th. I have seen many uncouth girls develop into attractive women under the care and leadership of sorority sisters."

—IOTA.

"The Fraternity as I know it, is in the University of Minnesota—a large co-educational institution with no dormitories. A student is sent here away from the protection of the home and with no one to oversee his actions outside of the class-room. Nothing holds or restrains him save public opinion. In joining a fraternity he is gathered into a chosen circle, where he becomes well known and where he receives advice from upper classmen who take a personal interest in him. His actions reflect upon his fraternity and that knowledge holds him in check. Moreover he is given fine principles to uphold. He is encouraged to maintain a high standard scholarship. His character is molded by the free criticisms of his brothers. Petty selfishness is done away with. He forgets himself. His interests are broadened and he gains insight to human character. His college spirit is increased by the fact that in meeting fraters from other institution he has his school to uphold. In fact the fraternity man or woman is hounded into a sympathetic, high-principled human being."

—MU.

"The fraternity is a good substitute for the home circle. It brings out and develops the young, undeveloped girl. It puts a restraining influence upon a girl who is inclined to be a little boisterous or indiscreet, at the same time preventing the over-studious girl from becoming a grind, by forcing her to an extent into the social activities of the college world. In brief it is the most powerful factor in college life in forming the well rounded girl instead of the one of unequal development. The fraternity encourages the training of the special talents its members may have."

—EPSILON.

"It is often argued that the fraternity fosters a spirit of selfishness; it is true the fraternity member in joining does choose a select number of friends to whom she gives her loyalty in far greater degree than to any others of her fellow students, but who does not have a few intimate friends as distinguished from a large circle of acquaintances? In many institutions one can only know a few girls well, and why not find them in the sorority where an additional bond makes the friendship closer? The fact that one has sorority friends does not mean that one is intolerant and unfriendly with those outside the circle, on the contrary if sorority life is having its best influence on us, it broadens us and makes us more sympathetic and altruistic as we become accustomed to working with and for each other—if sorority life is not having this influence on us, it is our own fault and not that of the sorority system."

—GAMMA.

"There are so many arguments advanced in opposition to the fraternity system that we often ask ourselves, "Has the fraternity a right to live?" One of the best proofs that it has a right to live is to be found in the fact that it has not only survived during all these years but has grown and prospered. The dreaded secrecy which is so often used as an argument against the fraternity is merely a product of the imagination. Instead of demoralizing and degrading its members it places before them high ideals and noble aims and teaches them to regard their relations as to college enterprises as separate from their fraternity interests. Instead of being a foreign organization hostile to college spirit and culture it is a friendly ally. So often the fraternity is charged with causing a waste of money but it rather cultivates the spirit of economy and promotes business habits. The element of home is introduced into the student life and a strong bond is established between men of different classes and colleges and of all ranks of society. The fraternity helps the weak, assists the poor, strengthens the unsteady, and forms a strong link between the college and its former students. Its training is a valuable addition to the purely collegiate knowledge. The fraternity fills a necessary and an important place in college life, is a great benefit to its members, and an efficient aid to good college government."

—BETA.

Pan-Hellenic

College Pan-Hellenic Associations Please Notice.

WILL the President of each college Panhellenic please instruct the Secretary of the same to send to the Secretary of the National Panhellenic, L. P. Green, 15 East Ave., Ithaca, N. Y., a copy of your Panhellenic contract for the college year 1909-10; also a copy of your Panhellenic constitution and the name of the Panhellenic Secretary for the next college year? These documents are needed in the work of the National conference. Your co-operation in sending these, without the receipt of a letter direct, will be greatly appreciated.

National Pan-Hellenic Achievements in Seven Years.

1. Increase in membership from seven to twelve fraternities.
2. Establishment of standard for a national college fraternity: "Not less than five college chapters and none in an institution below college rank."
3. Change of name from Intersorority conference to National Panhellenic.
4. Adoption of a working constitution insuring the permanency of the annual conference.

B. In the national fraternity life.

1. Co-operation and frank discussion among national officers of the special problems in special colleges.
2. Exchange among fraternity officers of the Journals of the women's fraternities.

C. In the college fraternity life.

1. The abolishment of pledging among preparatory students, except at the University of Michigan—where, owing to peculiar local conditions, the national fraternity chapters there have been granted permission

to pledge high school seniors only until September, 1909.

2. Formation of college Pan-Hellenics wherever two or more nationals are represented. These Panhellenics consists of one alumna and one active member from every national fraternity represented in the college.
3. A pledge day in every college fixed by the college Panhellenic association.
4. No part of the initiation ceremony to take place in public.
5. Universal discountenancing of "lifting."
6. Women's fraternities interested in general college activities and taking active steps in formation of women's leagues.

D. Important publications.

1. Reports of the annual conferences.
2. A model college Panhellenic constitution.
3. A model women's league constitution.
4. Report of social customs in co-educational colleges in the United States.
5. Report on present conditions of Panhellenics in the United States.
6. Two circulars for fraternity alumnae setting forth the aims and purposes of the National Panhellenic.

E. Incidental Achievements.

1. Two meetings of fraternity delegates with the Conference of Deans of women, where a frank discussion of fraternity life in the college—its advantages and shortcomings—left with the fraternities many ideas for the improvement of fraternity life.
2. A great increase in trust and respect among rival fraternity chapters.

F. Present activities.

1. Organizing, in each university community, of resident alumnae of all fraternities to study local problems and advise steps for their solution.
2. Efforts for later pledge day.

3. Definite university scholarship attainment among the qualifications for eligibility to fraternity membership.
4. Panhellenic efforts to restrict the excessive social life of the fraternity women in its college. Also co-operation in the reduction of the elaborateness and expense of social functions.
5. More efforts toward securing the co-operation of fraternity alumnae in dealing with fraternity problems.
6. Raising scholarship standards in fraternity chapters.
7. Increasing the dignity of the office of chapter house chaperone and the securing of suitable women for these important positions.
8. Formation of a code of etiquette regarding dismissals, pledging, etc.

G. Conclusion.

The breadth of these present activities, touching all phases of college life, as contrasted with the avowed purpose of the 1902 (first) conference to "discuss pledging and rushing, suggesting a set of by-laws for the amelioration of existing rushing conditions," is the best proof of the progressive usefulness and strength of this organization so characteristic of the very finest fraternity spirit. May the next seven years see even greater achievement, and a constantly broadening field for influential co-operation for the improvement of women's fraternity life.

National Pan-Hellenic Conference.

To the Alumnae Organizations of the Fraternities Represented in the National Pan-Hellenic Conference:

IT was the desire of the delegates to the Inter-sorority Conference held in Chicago, September 11 and 12, 1908, to acquaint the Alumnae of the Fraternities represented there with the vital points of the work accomplished. There are certain social tendencies which are prevalent in many colleges and universities to-day which are, perhaps recognized by the girls in college, but

which need, for their control the more mature judgment of the Alumnae. It was the work of the Intersorority Conference, now the National Pan-Hellenic Conference, to point out certain of these errors of college life, and to discuss ways and means of rectifying them. It rests, however, with the whole body of the Alumnae to see that this work is carried out. Let every Alumnae of every Fratrinity feel that she is a committee of one to do a part of this great work. Among the following suggestions to the local Pan-Hellenic Associations we desire to call special attention to Articles 1, 6 and 7.

1. Every Pan-Hellenic must conform to the by-law that requires each fraternity chapter to be represented in Pan-Hellenics by one actice and **one Alumna** member. It is urged that alumnae members be chosen with great care. Women several years out of college, who are in close touch with their University's and their chapter's life, and in sympathy with National Pan-Hellenic Conference ideas and work—upon which they should be well informed—should be chosen for these positions. A long tenure of office for efficient alumnae members is also deemed advisable.

2. Pan-Hellenics are urged to adopt a rule requiring definite scholarship attainment in the University, as a qualification for eligibility to fraternity membership.

3. We recommend to Pan-Hellenics that they endeavor to restrict the expense, number and duration of social functions and engagements by women's fraternities as far as is compatible with local conditions.

4. We suggest that Pan-Hellencs be careful not to create feeling between fraternity and non-fraternity college women through too many or through inopportune Pan-Hellenic meetings and functions.

5. Pan-Hellenics are urged to avoid all public press notoriety and to endeavor always to keep the respect of their University and town communities.

6. We strongly recommend that each Pan-Hellenic have some general meetings to which all fraternity members are invited and allowed to take part in discussions—meetings to read and discuss National Pan-Hellenic Conference reports; short-

comings of our last compact; effects of a Sophomore pledge day in our college, etc.

7. Since at the University of Wisconsin an organization of the resident alumnae of all fraternities has proved most helpful in solving fraternity and university problems concerning rushing, social life, etc., it is the concensus of opinion in this Conference that a similar organization would prove helpful in every University where fraternities are represented. It is therefore suggested that in each Pan-Hellenic the alumnae members take the initiative in forming such an organization for their college.

While the Conference suggested that the initiative in this matter be taken by the alumnae members of the local Pan-Hellenic, the Committee consider that it would be greatly to the credit of any alumnae organization or group to be the first to suggest such an organization in their community.

Inasmuch as the strength and power of any fraternity is coming to rest more and more in organized alumnae, your co-operation is earnestly solicited in carrying out the following suggestions made to the fraternities composing the National Pan-Hellenic.

1. That each fraternity devise a method of informing its alumnae of National Pan-Hellenic principles and policies, so that an alumna teaching in a preparatory school will not thoughtlessly take steps that will disrupt years of cordial feeling between her chapter and other fraternities in her Alma Mater.

2. That each fraternity endeavor to make the position of chaperone in its chapter houses one of definite duties, powers and dignity. That if possible, the positions be filled by alumnae of experience and judgment.

3. That each fraternity, with ideals of honor and faith in the integrity of others, emphasize these points in the policy, of its chapters.

4. That each fraternity instruct its visiting delegate to impress upon the chapters the needs not of a higher standard of scholarship than they already possess, but a high standard irrespective of their present standing.

As the work of the National Pan--Hellenic Conference, as

well as that of the local Pan-Hellenics, is now better understood by alumnae members of all fraternities, it is hoped that each one will do all in her power to help remedy conditions which cannot be met by any one society but which are harmful to fraternity life in general. With the object of furthering this improvement by united effort this report is submitted.

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One Item of the Late Pledge Day.

FAR be it from the writer in any way to disparage the Pan-Hellenic idea, but when it comes to a question of its development, it must be admitted that there are diverse opinions. Certainly no intelligent sorority girl will deny that the old custom of rushing and pledging a new girl before she was fairly off the train was not only absurd and undignified, but in some cases, costly either to the chapter or to the girl in question. Many persons seeing the result of hasty and ill advised rushing now go to the other extreme and demand either Sophomore rushing or a pledge day late in April or May of the Freshman year.

One great objection to late pledging is that a girl is thereby deprived of a year of sorority life and in many cases it is during the Freshman year that the sorority influences are most needed, when homesickness can be cured of half its pangs by sympathetic and light hearted companionship, when life in a well conducted chapter house in a measure takes the place of the home life and when an unsophisticated girl can be taught in countless ways to discard customs and mannerisms which mark her as provincial. Many a freshman has been saved by her sorority from indiscretions and follies which would have darkened her entire college career.

Another objection to the late pledge day is the suspicion it breeds among rival sororities. In the colleges where the late

pledge day has been adopted, freshmen are not supposed to be rushed during the first five or six months. It is neither kind nor courteous entirely to neglect new girls, whose lack of acquaintance in the strange new college world leaves them pitifully alone, and yet what onlooker can draw the line between disinterested kindness and attention prompted by ulterior motives? Let the idea once get firmly fixed that a certain sorority is evading the spirit, if not the actual letter of the law, and for more harm than good is bound to come from the late pledge day.

Conditions vary so greatly in different colleges that it is neither wise nor practicable to advise any specified pledge day for general adoption. Each college Pan-Hellenic knows best its own limitations and conditions. and in the end can be trusted to work out its own salvation.

—GAMMA.

A Practical Illustration of the Late Pledge Day.

THE late pledge day as tried within the last two years at the University of Minnesota, by the nine national sororities in the Pan-Hellenic League, has been the object of much watchful interest on the part of both fraternity and non-fraternity circles. The advantages and disadvantages of this late day plan have been much discussed, and the problem as met by the sororities themselves has been perplexing. By some it has been approved. Others heartily long for some other method of pledging, and so strong was the dislike felt by one of the sister-hoods, that one trial was sufficient and she withdrew from the ranks and resumed the old method of three weeks rushing at the opening of this last college year.

For the year of 1907-1908 the Pan-Hellenic League decided to try the late pledge day and accordingly designated the second Saturday in April as the day. The agreement was made that no rushing, with the exception of two parties not to cost in excess of seventy-five and fifty dollars respectively, should be allowed; more than two sorority girls off the campus with a freshman constituted a party. The active sorority members were to get acquainted with the freshmen girls naturally and without the un-

dignified rush for desirable pledges, which resulted in a drain upon the time and strength of both the sorority girls and the "rushees" as well as a lowering of scholastic standing. It was also decided that no freshman could be invited to join any sorority, who had failed in two subjects during the first term.

Thus a quiet, easy, profitable year was anticipated for both freshmen and sorority girls. All well and good for the freshmen but alas! how different for the active chapter girls. The pledge day arrived after the few weeks of the parties given at the allotted times followed by two weeks wherein the sorority members had no intercourse whatever with the rushees.

Then came the Pan-Hellenic meeting to decide what action should be taken for the following year. Late pledge day was discussed pro and con, and from reports received, it was not such a marvelous success as had been hoped for. Yet the system was new and as the league felt it had not received a fair and full trial it decided, with a few alterations and modifications to follow the plan a second year, whereupon Kappa Alpha Theta refused to sign the contract,—how wisely can only be judged from later developments.

The following fall the sororities began to cast their eyes about for desirable girls and to begin the process of getting acquainted naturally. Of course a sorority girl could not chum with a freshman and if caught in earnest conversation with one of the latter, she was eyed with suspicion. Each chapter watched furtively but with scrutiny the actions of the others. Each girl worried when she saw her favorite freshman in company with some other sorority member, no matter how casual the meeting or company. Thus went by almost a year of worry and anxiety for the sorority girl, during which time several little events took place, which were not called parties, yet it usually happened that a freshman girl or two was on hand, casually asked in to tea, to find an elaborate spread and some entertainment, or who was brought in to meet so and so to find nearly a whole chapter roll at hand to greet her.

It is a hard thing to answer, yet was it all honorable? Was there not a sly breaking of the rules and an instilling of a lower moral standard? No accusations were publicly made at Pan-

Hellenic meetings, yet these little instances were known, not only to the sorority members but to the freshmen girls as well. What must be their opinion of these girls, who by their very act of belonging to a sorority were supposed to be standing for the highest ideals of womanhood?

Pledge day was decided upon for April 10th but as this fell during Easter vacation one week earlier was chosen. One big rushing party with limited expense, was allowed each sorority. Each chapter endeavored to out-shine the other. Heartaches and jealousies were aroused. The desirable girls were eagerly sought, while others equally deserving were overlooked in the mad rush for the popular ones. The rushees were bidden here and there to inspect each group and all was in a state of wild excitement. To get this girl or that was the aim of each chapter and get that girl they would, if possible.

Then followed a week of quiet, during which no sorority girl was to do more than acknowledge the acquaintance of her rushees.

Nights were filled with wakefulness and days with anxious waiting and conferences and occasionally forbidden talks with freshmen girls—and then the third of April arrived.

The "frat" men smiled to themselves and assured one another they would be on hand to watch the fun and, as they expressed it, "hear the wailing and gnashing of teeth." The houses where the respective sororities bid their freshmen girls to come to make their pledges were watched by those same youths and several good sized bets were made by them in favor of or against the different girls or chapters.

Finally, the morning papers announced the list of pledges unless a chapter wisely refrained from giving it and then on Monday morning, with or without their pledges, the sororities filed into chapel and into their accustomed seats to eye ruefully some lost love sitting with a rival group, or to display with pride some of their own successful rushees.

RUTH M'NAMEE,
Mu Chapter.

Symposium

[We publish below a few of the many excellent discussions elicited by Prof. McDermott's article on "The Chapter House and its effect on the Fraternity," which appeared in our last issue —Ed.]

From Walter J. Sears, Grand Historian of Sigma Nu.

I HAVE read with deep interest and great profit Professor McDermott's splendid paper on "The Chapter House and Its Effect on the Fraternity." I do not hesitate to pronounce it a most timely stimulating contribution upon what I believe to be the most important question now confronting the American Greek letter societies. As I have sought for some time to quicken the thought and conscience of my own fraternity in its relation to chapter-house life, I am glad of this opportunity to join in a Pan-Hellenic expression regarding a problem whose right solution is of vital concern to all fraternity men.

Accepting as conclusive Professor McDermott's analysis of the evils which exist more or less generally in our chapter houses, let us consider briefly the remedies and reforms which it is believed will raise our fraternity life to a higher level of character and influence.

At the threshold of this discussion let us set up the standard by which these social center of collegiate life—these fraternity houses—are to be measured. Shall we consider and judge them as club houses, as commons or as bachelor quarters? That they have been so considered by a large and influential class of fraternity men there seems to be no question. Whether or not they have realized the best ideals of the club house and such social centers, it is difficult to determine, since it is difficult to find a standard of excellence for them. If, however, we judge them by the standard of the best city club, with its atmosphere of gentle manners and good breeding, and its traditions of culture and courtesy, many of them, I fear, would suffer by the comparison. The unhappy truth is that many of them would fail to measure up to this ideal.

But there is even a higher standard of judgment by which they ought to be measured. The best club house, the one most distinguished for noble and kindly fellowship, is not the highest type of social intercourse and effort. The highest type is the American home, and I make bold to exalt it before every Greek letter society as the standard and the ideal by which every chapter house ought to be judged and measured. The American home is and has ever been something more than a club house. The best qualities of the club, its freedom and frankness, its fellowship of congenial spirits, the home has all these; but it has what the club can never have, it has at its center the truth of all social human effort, the active love and conscience of the family, which together form the law of the household, the authority of the father and mother. This is something more than a fellowship; it is a communion, whose first obligation is service and whose ultimate purpose is character. How is this high ideal to be realized, do you ask? How is it possible even to approximate it among a company of young men, free from all parental restraint, responsive to the natural impulsiveness of youth, and not careful to discriminate between a wholesome college spirit and a vulgar Hooliganism?

I reply: Give these young men the proper leadership; not the leadership of the society exquisite or the roisterer or the spendthrift; not the leadership of the club, but the leadership of the home; not the leadership of the spoiled boy, but the leadership of the good man; not the leadership of ignorance or prejudice or evil or snobbery, but the leadership of culture and democracy, morality and brotherhood—a culture that is genuine but not exclusive; a democracy that is brave but not brutal, a morality that is upright but not pious; a brotherhood that is tender but not sentimental.

The typical home is strong in its development of two distinctly different but vitally important qualities of leadership. One concerns itself with the material welfare of the household; the other with its spiritual welfare. So the first duty of the chapter house is to find for itself the proper leadership for its business affairs; its second, to find the proper leadership for its spiritual affairs.

Like the good house-builder and provider, it will set about conserving its material well-being. It will understand that it cannot hope for the highest spiritual development if it is burdened with debt. Every dollar of its obligation must be able to say, "I know that my redeemer liveth." There can be no moral solvency without financial solvency, and the chapter house that seeks to realize a high ideal of manhood must rest it upon the law of prudence and thrift, of commercial honor and rectitude. Therefore, each house should begin its life by placing its material welfare in good hands. There should be a house manager, a house steward and a committee on audit and finance. These positions should be filled by higher class men, or better still by postgraduate men who are especially fitted by experience or natural aptitude for the management of business affairs.

The love and conscience, the law and authority of the home must find expression in the chapter house. These will stand for its wise discipline and government, representing at once its sanity and its respectability. To these essential requirements will be added the refinement of cultured men; and uniting all will be found the kindly and sympathetic fellowship of congenial spirits.

How shall this ideal of the chapter house, which is the ideal of the American home, be broadly and richly realized in all our societies? I repeat, give our chapter house the spiritual leadership that is sensitive to the meaning of this ideal, and that is willing to dedicate itself loyally to its fulfillment.

First, an effort should be made to develop this leadership in the chapter itself. If some higher classman has grown in his love of his fraternity and its faith, and in a warm affection for its members, eager to give himself in service to them, then such a man ought to be a fit leader of the higher life of the chapter house.

Second, whether the chapter develops this leadership or not, its spirit should be represented by the alumni. This is now the one supreme duty resting upon all our old men—to guide and direct the young men into paths of Hellenic honor. To this end the alumni of each chapter should select some one of their number, or perhaps a committee, to co-operate with the management along all its lines of spiritual and material effort. My own fra-

ternity has, during the past year, appointed in one of its divisions, as an experiment, alumni counsellors, while several chapters have chosen from their own members alumni secretaries.

Third, this leadership should lay its demands upon the general organization of every fraternity, and every fraternity should devote its thought and means to its highest realization. There are several excellent plans now in operation or being considered. (1) One provides for a field secretary, who shall visit all the chapters and seek to give them all a common ideal as well as a common interest. (2) Another suggests an alumni visitor who shall be appointed by the general fraternity and reside near the chapter over which he is to have oversight. (3) Still another contemplates the founding of scholarships, open to members of the fraternity, the recipient to live at the chapter house during his college course, and to act as the proctor or leader of the house.

For the last-named plan I have great hopes, provided our men could be induced to endow these scholarships as richly as they have given of their substance to build the chapter houses. And I hold that they ought to give even more richly, because I hold that any sort of a chapter house, great or small, is a mighty poor investment if its moral and spiritual standards of life and conduct are low or ignoble. What can it profit a college man if he live in a palace and lose his own soul? I believe the time is coming, if it is not already here, when our societies will be judged, not by the size and value of their chapter houses, but by the character of the men produced in them.

To say this is to say what all Greek-letter men are coming to realize, that all our fraternity groups are beginning to respond to the infusing and uplifting spirit of a new ideal. It is this—a conviction in the heart of every fraternity man that his own society must be something more than an exclusive social club, something more than a clannish secret order, something more even than a selfish brotherhood; a growing sense of their high and important place in the educational system; a consciousness that they are a vital co-ordinate and co-related part of it, being a permanent force for its spiritual endowment; in short, an American institution for the training, aye more, for the making of strong, manly and capable men.

The higher and nobler conception of Hellenic duty lays upon every group these well-settled demands:

(1) That every group shall provide clean and wholesome fellowship.

(2) An environment that will be uplifting to the moral and spiritual nature, and that will produce men of character as well as men of scholarship.

(3) To win and retain the esteem of the college community, the student body and the faculty.

(4) To win and retain the loving interest of the alumni, of all the men who have lived the chapter-house life.

The men of all societies are coming to see that the chapter house must be vitalized and consecrated as the central point of energy and dynamics in the social development of the fraternity life. More and more our men are coming to believe that these houses should be not only ornate in the graces of design but rich in the achievements of manhood. More and more our men, old and young, are coming to realize that the house and the alumni, the home and the life, the faith and the leadership, the law and the spirit, the ideal and its fulfillment, the young man and the old man—these are one—these must be one in the development of our fraternity men.

From Miss Ina Firkins, Delta Gamma.

IN PRESENTING Mr. McDermott's paper on "The Chapter house and its Effect on the Fraternity" to the Greek press, the editor of the Delta Upsilon Quarterly evidently wishes to arouse the fraternity world to decisive action. The discussion will not bring about any sudden and beautiful reform in chapter houses, but it is a good subject to keep before the minds of the undergraduates. * * * * *

Mr. McDermott regrets that in the last twenty years the scholarly ideal among fraternity men has given place to one less worthy, and quotes figures to prove his statement. No doubt the figures are correct, but statistics have a way of proving a great many things that are not true. Within the last quarter of a century there has been a great change in academic condi-

tions. When our fathers were young, for a youth to go to college was rather an extraordinary thing; unless a man anticipated a professional career for his son, he did not send him to college. Today a college education is considered a business asset, and young men and women continue their studies from the high school through the college with as little consideration of the value of the training as the child goes from the kindergarten to the primary school. Obviously our institutions must be flooded with less serious, less prepared, less capable students than the elder generation knew. There are only a few people in any community with the gift for real scholarship, but it is talent that cannot be hidden, and every university and college cherishes a few choice spirits of this type. The proportion of scholars to the number of students is no doubt less, but their number is as great as ever. If they have the superficial graces also they become fraternity members; if they lack them, their mere scholarship is not a reason for their reception into a group of friends whose first requirement is comradeship.

The age is a practical one; some of us may regret this fact, but we must accept it, and the thing for us to do is not to attempt a reversion to past conditions, but to so adapt training to present conditions that we shall be able to foster the humanities without jeopardizing the utilities. The college world is no longer a cloistered precinct, it is an integral part of the community. Thirty years ago the members of the college faculties were selected groups of men, who by taste and custom kept away from the highway of life; today they rub shoulders with the crowd and are active workers in politics and civic life. The old order has changed and given place to new.

The definite evils of chapter-house life Mr. McDermott has very thoroughly investigated, also their advantages, and leaves us just about where we started, rather uncertain as to whether they make for good or evil. The remedy for the defects, he suggests, lies with the alumni. Probably the alumni could correct most of the trouble if they would—but they won't. It is only a few of the younger and less occupied alumni who are willing to give more than it takes to write an occasional check to their fraternities. The salvation must come through the active chap-

ters, whose interest in the matter is personal and keen. Our hope is in the upperclassmen. Junior and senior can exert a much greater influence on the freshmen than parents or alumni. With alumni sentiment, if not activity, behind them, the upperclassmen have the solution of the difficulty in their own hands. To foster the proper spirit of responsibility among them is the work of the fraternity conventions, of the journals, of the college faculties. Youth is strong to do what it desires because its faith is great.

From Miss Charlotte H. Walker, Editor of Kappa Alpha Theta.

The undue prominence given at present to social distinction, and the lack of vital interest in scholarship on the part of our fraternity undergraduates are but the natural reflection of the spirit of our times, and in particular of our alumni. As long as the chief efforts of our alumni are directed toward making Alpha Beta's lounging room more elegant in its appointments than that of Alpha Delta, so long will our undergraduates be chiefly interested in social rivalry. This we must expect until our alumni come to a realizing sense that it is the quality of the men graduated, not the cost of the house in which they live, which determines the superiority of one fraternity over another.

Physical ease does not stimulate mental alertness. When our alumni see that the luxuries, which their pride and generosity provide for the college youth of today, are a mere temptation to waste of time; when our fraternity houses become in reality a substitute for natural home life instead of pretentious clubs, then only may we expect a return to good scholarship.

But we need also a better mutual understanding between the fraternal organizations and the college faculties. On the university faculties, at least, there are usually found several representatives of each fraternity. In such cases the fraternities should each elect an alumnus member of the faculty who would be responsible alike to the faculty and the fraternity for the scholarship of its members. Such an alumnus could speak with authority, but also with sympathetic understanding for the undergraduate. Thus the acknowledged duty of our alumni, i. e.,

to care for the scholarship of our undergraduates, would no longer be left to the haphazard oversight of chance alumni visitors and residents. It would become the duty of one man, elected for the purpose, and suited therefor by his special interest in, and knowledge of, the situation.

**FROM MISS GERTRUDE C. ROSS, FORMER PRESIDENT
OF GAMMA PHI BETA.**

Primarily it is the thought of our sorority that the nearest approach to a genuine house life in the chapter houses will be found when we can place in them as chaperons members of our own sorority. By so doing we believe that the college chapters can more readily be made to feel the influence of the alumnae, that the alumnae will be more alive to their responsibility, and that this will result in maintaining the traditions and ideals of the sorority. With the judicious aid and supervision of one of their own number we think that the seniors will realize that they are the guides and examples of the underclassmen. When this responsibility is acknowledged it will, without doubt create an atmosphere of pride in a well regulated home life, a respect for authority, a proper seriousness toward college work and a loyalty to the institution, all of which will influence the newcomer and cause her to adjust herself more easily to her surroundings and to the demands of university life.

**FROM CARLTON H. HAYES, NATIONAL SECRETARY
ALPHA CHI RHO.**

Just as my steamer was on the point of leaving New York my brother in Alpha Chi Rho, Henry C. Staunton, editor of the *Garnet and White*, dashed down the dock and pressed into my hand a copy of your circular "To the Greek Press," containing the article by Professor McDermott on "The Chapter House and its Effect on the Fraternity," with the request that I send you my reflections on the same.

I certainly take pleasure in expressing some of my opinions on a subject which has been brought forcibly to my attention during five years' service as National Secretary of Alpha Chi Rho and also, though from a different point of view, through my experience as an instructor in Columbia University. * * * *

We fraternity men talk too much and do too little. Of course it is important in this case to call attention to the evils, but the undergraduates as a rule are quite aware of the evils if not of the need of correcting them. Let us devote our appeals chiefly to the graduates—it is with the graduates that the future of the chapter house rests. And even while we are stirring the graduates to a sense of their great responsibility, let us take definite practical steps toward eradicating the evils which we all admit exist. I find that oftentimes it is easier to do a thing and tell people about it afterwards than it is to talk a thing up and then do it—it is more apt to be done. If we are sincere, we shall work until our national organizations have adopted reform measures and officers have been elected in the fraternities and in every chapter to put such measures into force.

One other thought I should like to leave with you. I believe there is too much false modesty among the fraternities. Why should we stand on etiquette if we know positively that a certain chapter of a certain fraternity is corrupt, that it is inculcating vice and bringing reproach on our institution? Why should we not call it by name, publish it in all our magazines and create such a hubbub that the national organization of that fraternity will take notice and be forced or shamed into remedying the evils? I know now of a certain chapter at Columbia which holds a drunken meeting every week, which is said to entertain street women now and then, and whose daily table is the place for continuous obscene jests. The good chapters and the bad chapters have occasioned the different estimates of the benefits and dangers of the chapter house to which Professor McDermott has so well called our attention. We need publicity.

* There certainly are hard feelings between college faculties and members of fraternal organizations. If these feelings do not exist in the entire faculty, there are always some professors who do not favor the fraternity. Let the students take the first step towards a better understanding. It is their place. They must let the professor see that they are making an honest effort not because they are fraternity members, but because they came to college to work. If the students will take this first step, there are few professors who will not meet them

* The following paragraphs are selected from some of the discussions upon the article by our undergraduate members.—Ed.

halfway. Even if the faculty will not take the lead, its members will do their best to help students who are in earnest.

That the sororities, as well as the fraternities need a better mutual understanding between themselves and the college faculties, there is no doubt.

Almost unconsciously, the majority of professors question the work of fraternity members in their classes until their proficiency and good scholarship has been proven, not once only but often many times. The pupils in question often become disheartened before this process ends and begin to think, "What's the use?" Then the professors applaud their own keen insight and continue with even stronger prejudice against fraternities, sororities and their members.

We confess, however, that too often is it the case that there is reason for this prejudice on the part of the professors. There is no doubt that the social element takes a much larger place in the minds of many sorority members than it should, and although it looks at times as though the place given it were much larger than that assigned to the intellectual, I do not really believe it is so. If the intellectual element were not first, would the members of sororities in the various universities have worked so hard to gain an entrance to those various institutions? Are there not hundreds of other places where social prestige may be obtained with less effort?

As we stated before, professors have come into this prejudice almost unconsciously and through force of habit, as it were. Many of the faculty expect to see poor work on the part of these certain members of their classes, so they are on the out look for only such work. They are inclined to pass by those who do proficient work. Of course the complaints are of the former kind. Of the others we hear nothing. Hence the former class would seem to be much the larger.

It is our opinion that were these professors to put aside for a short time only their long cherished prejudices against fraternal organizations as a whole and look at the thing fairly and squarely, they would see some surprisingly proficient work done by members of sororities and fraternities, to which their eyes have been closed heretofore. The faculties seem to make the great

mistake of judging the many by the few frivolous members. We do not wonder at that, for those few are often the ones most in evidence.

But if our prejudiced faculty members would try to see all good instead of all evil in the members of Greek letter societies, it would do much toward raising their conception of the fraternities and sororities with which they come in contact.

A. F. M., Mu.

The All Around Sorority.

Professor McDermott's article reproduced in the February "Alpha Xi Delta" must make every true Alpha do some deep thinking.

One of the needs set forth; "To be represented more generally in all departments of college life by the best men, of course, in each kind of work," especially applies to us at Tufts, for one Sorority here is recognized through its social life, one by its scholarship and so on. This it seems to me is not the true embodiment of a well balanced, symmetrical Sorority.

We need to be represented in the social life of the college, not only for the prestige it may give us among other Sororities, Fraternities, and members of the college world, but also for the broadest development of the individual. No mere book-worm can after graduation take a woman's place in the world and successfully keep it.

But it is also true that the social element is not the only important consideration, lest a girl should come to think too much of the "good time" and less of the deeper things of life. We must have a higher standard of scholarship. It is very easy to solace one's self by thinking disparagingly of some one, who has made PBK and whom we do not regard as in any way expressing our idea of manhood or womanhood, but deep in our hearts we do know that the attainment of the golden key is well worth our sincerest efforts.

Although in a coeducational institution our brothers bear the brunt of athletics, there are many ways by which we may reach more perfect physical development, and there is always the op-

portunity for hearty sympathy with the men in their athletic aspirations to uphold the honor of Alma Mater.

Lastly we must not forget the spiritual phase of our lives. The helpful word we may speak or the generous act we may perform, are in the name of the Master, "whose we are and whom we serve."

If we develop in these ways, there can be no doubt that we shall "be represented in all departments of college life," and so become the All Around Sorority, which is our ideal.

E. E. B., Lambda.

Waste of Time.

According to Prof. McDermott, waste of time seems to be a general failing among our sororities and fraternities; and may this not be the foundation of a majority of the objectionable features which are urged against a society of this kind?

By waste of time is not meant time spent in becoming more closely acquainted with one another; the hour or so which we spend in walking or other form of exercise; the time we give to "outside interests," as we sometimes wrongly call them—purely college interests or the formation of friendships with those outside our own sorority.

To work when we work and play when we play is a commendable aim. Most of us, I think I am right in saying, do not heartily do either. We lack effective concentration; a habit, no doubt, of dormitory life, where we study with "one ear open" to hear if our less studious sisters are saying anything "interesting." Of course, it would destroy half our pleasure if every time we had a few minutes to enjoy ourselves, we should consciously endeavor to do so, for unexpected pleasures are the best. Those accidental gatherings where a group of girls spend half an hour in animated discussion are often among the happiest of our college memories. But do we not take too many half-hours for this purpose? Is it not laziness or indifference to our college work which many times prompts us to linger there "just talking," and all the while feeling that we can ill afford to take the time just then?

How to use our leisure and to find leisure to use is the great question. One of our professors has told us that a man is judged by the way he spends his leisure. To plan our work so that we can work that plan successfully means to have a moderate amount of time which is our very own to be impressed with our personality. We may spend part of it in cultivating friendships; part in recreation; part in committee work for our frat, our class or our college; part in social pursuits; but whatever we do, let us be primarily advised by that old Greek saying, "Nothing in excess," so that when our four years have passed and we stand before the world as representatives of what our sorority can do for a girl, we will have truly learned to order our lives according to those highest principles of educated Christian womanhood which is the ideal for which we strive.

H. S. B., Lambda.

Delta Delta Delta.

DELTA DELTA DELTA was founded at Boston University on Thanksgiving eve, 1888, by four members of the class of '89, Sara Ida Shaw, Eleanor Dorcas Pond, Florence Isabelle Stewart and Isabel Morgan Breed. They associated with themselves seventeen members of the lower classes.

The present government of the fraternity is vested in a grand council which consists of eight general officers and the editor of the journal, all of whom are elected tri-annually at the national convention. The fraternity is divided into three provinces for administration purposes, and province conventions were held in the early days of the organization during the years when the national convention did not meet. The last convention was held in Lincoln, Nebraska, June 1908.

The badge is a crescent inclosing three stars and bearing three Deltas. The pledge pin is a trident. Members of the alliances wear an equilateral triangle of white enamel, supporting on its sides three Deltas of gold and inscribed in a gold circle surrounded by six spherical triangles in blue enamel. The national flag is rectangular in shape and is composed of three vertical bars, the first and third sea green, one bearing three Deltas in white, the middle bar white with a green pine tree upon it.

The colors are silver, gold and blue. The flowers is the pansy. The open motto is, "Let us steadfastly love one another." Poseidon is the patron and the call is Alala! Alala! Alala! Ta Hieria Poseidonia!"

The fraternity publishes quarterly a magazine known as "The Trident," In 1906 it published a secret magazine, "The Triton," and now issues annually a similar publication, called "The Trireme."

✓ Delta Delta Delta has twenty-six chapters and sixteen alliances or alumnae associations. Following is the chapter roll:—Adarin, Baker, Baltimore, Barnard, Boston, Bucknell, California,

Cincinnati, Iowa, Knox, Minnesota, Mississippi, Nebraska, Northwestern, Ohio State, Pennsylvania, Randolph-Macon, Simpson, St. Lawrence, Syracuse, Vermont, Wesleyan, Wisconsin, Colby, DePauw and Transylvania. The total membership is 1900, active membership 400 and the average initiation is 175.

The Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition

The interest of all Seattle and especially its University community is centred at present in the Alaska Yukon Pacific Exposition, which begins June first. Part of our beautiful University campus is the site of this Fair, and our once splendid National Park, has now been converted into a city of massive white buildings, where will be found wonders and exhibits from all parts of the world. Some of the buildings are already complete, as for example the Auditorium Building, which has been turned over to the University authorities for use until opening of the Fair, and which will be left as a permanent University building after the close of the Exposition. Other buildings which are to be eventually the property of the University of Washington are the Chemistry building, Library, Women's Building, Recitation Hall and Power House. These buildings are very artistic and are situated on an elevation, which slopes to Lake Washington on the one side and Lake Union on the other; they are indeed an imposing and beautiful sight.

The students of the University are doubly interested in the Exposition which is to be held in our city this summer, both because of the general interest of all loyal Seattleites and Washingtonians and what it means to the future development, and progress of our beloved coast, and further because of the exposition's nearness to the University, and the improvements and additions to the Campus, which are being made through the efforts of the Exposition authorities.

Nu Chapter is especially glad of the opportunity she will have to entertain some of her eastern sisters, and wishes to take advantage of this occasion to extend to them all a most hearty welcome to our city, assuring them that they will never regret a trip to the wonderful Puget Sound region, and Seattle, the gateway to the Orient and Alaska. Below will be found a list of some of the Alpha Xi Deltas, who will probably be in Seattle this

summer, and who are very anxious to meet personally all Alpha visitors to the exposition.

- Adelaide Fischer,.....201 21st St.
 - Mary Smith,1101 E. Thomas
 - Anna Balsch308 E. 77th.
 - Edith Potter,.....4217 15th Ave. N. E.
 - Lela Parker,2508 N. 42nd St.
 - Alice Murchison,740 16th N.
 - Florence Lucks,1411 E. Ward.
 - Marion Wrigley,1132 8th W.
 - Dorothy Drake,1017 E. Marion.
 - Aileen Daniels,1612 Madison.
 - Myrtle Parr,4217 11th, N. E.
 - Madie Willimann,414 Minor N.
 - Elsie Waddingham,1535 2d W.
- ANNA BALSCH, NU.

The Lincoln Statue at the University of Wisconsin.

One of the events of Commencement week next June at the University of Wisconsin will be the unveiling of a life sized statue of Abraham Lincoln. This announcement was made at the time of the Lincoln Centenary and caused great rejoicing. The statue is a replica of the heroic bronze one by Adolph Weimnan which will be unveiled at Hodgenville, Kentucky, Memorial Day. The commissioners consented to allow one replica to be cast and Mr. Thomas E. Brittingham of Madison has presented this to the University.

On the upper campus in front of University Hall is to be a Court of Honor and this statue will be the first and central figure. Says Senator LaFollette: "What influence the figure of the sad kind, sagacious, determined, and rugged face of our great Civil War President will have upon the thousands of students, in the way of developing nobility of character and sustained courage to carry forward the fight for the advancement of the people of this country, no man may foretell; but that it will be perpetually one of the great and high educational forces of the university no one can doubt."

BERTHA DAVIS, Theta.

THE SPIRIT OF SPRING.

Spring has come, and where she wanders
In her robe of tender green,
All the earth is filled with laughter.
Every lovely thing is seen.

Birds and flowers, come forth to greet her!
And all ye who hear her call,
Answer freely, answer gladly;
For we love her best of all.

And look up, ye sad and weary,
Where no blossoms ever die!
Every sorrow, every burden
'Neath spring flowers shall hidden lie.
—Iva Belle Boreing, Xi.

Every Day Council.

INTER-SORORITY FRIENDSHIP.

THEORETICALLY membership in a sorority endows one with a new understanding of the meaning of friendship which one is supposed to feel not only for fellow-members but for outsiders as well, including members of other sororities. In practice it generally does nothing of the kind. Why not? Why does membership in one sorority so often breed, if not actual distrust, at least indifference, toward most of the members of other societies?

A few isolated instances of life-long friendship which have survived the strain of membership in rival sororities may be noted, but from my own observation I should say they survived rather in spite of, than because of sorority teachings. I have in mind the case of two girls who were inseparable from early childhood. One entered college, joined a sorority and awaited the coming of her friend with impatience, taking it for granted that the sorority relation would further strengthen their friendship. The friend came, was rushed madly by several sororities, hesitated, wavered, was rushed more than ever and finally ended the whole matter, and I might say came near ending the friendship, by joining another society through the influence of relatives. Wounded pride on the part of her first friend upon finding her influence so much less than she had supposed, and assumption of defiance on the part of the second to cover an honest pain in her heart at disappointing her best friend and, last but not least, the wear and tear of a bitter season of rivalry have largely undone the work of years in what should have continued to be an almost perfect friendship. Although outwardly more or less friendly, the old mutual confidence is gone and widening and often conflicting interests are rapidly drawing the two girls still further apart.

This condition, which can undoubtedly be duplicated in altogether too many instances, is to be blamed to the narrowness

of vision of the average sorority girl. Why she should feel impelled to limit her real friendships to those of her own circle and to be immune to the good points of girls in other sororities will, in later years, be a mystery even to herself. Occasionally there are girls sufficiently "safe and sane" to decline so to limit themselves, and it is to their healthy influence that a sorority must look for the eradication of this positive evil. A sorority demands loyalty to its welfare and its members, but not a feverish or narrow minded loyalty. NU.

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THE ATTITUDE OF THE SORORITY MEMBER TOWARD COLLEGE AFFAIRS.

The ideal sorority girl has the interest of her college at heart as deeply as those of her society. How many of us, I wonder really work for the advancement of the school? There are so many ways open to us, "no opportunity" is absolutely no answer to the question.

Too many times has it been said that certain girls came to college merely because of the social life offered by Greek letter societies, and too many times have such assertions had good foundation, for us to neglect them.

We are college women first, sorority girls next, and we owe our Alma Mater as much as we do Alpha Xi Delta. Even from a selfish point of view. Nothing can advance the status of the chapters more than to maintain a high scholarship and to take an active part along literary and religious lines.

The houseless chapters have an additional responsibility in our dormitory life. Every non-sorority girl is watching us more or less consciously, she is mentally weighing our attitude toward house rules, general decorum and daily life. None of us can afford to disregard this quiet comparison with girls outside our circle, and for the chapter's sake, if for no other reason, our aim should be democracy and thoughtful consideration.

F. CAALIDGE, Beta.

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THE PRAGMATISM OF SORORITY.

There is a philosophy which puts its first question thus: "What difference does it make?" and, as a Senior now enter-

ing the last term of active sorority life, I see no more fitting subject for me to discuss than the pragmatism of the sorority—that is, the difference sorority has made to me in the past and is making in the present. When first I had a right to wear the quill, I confess to a lack of appreciation. The full and deep significance of sorority life did not dawn upon me, Alpha Xi Delta meant to me an opportunity to make a few real friends,—practically nothing more. However, it was sufficient. The bonds rested lightly on me. I had not begun to feel the responsibility of being a sorority girl. Later, I had vague glimmerings when I half perceived that there was something more, something better. And now, that I have come to the last of my sorority life, and realize that to this chapter of my life I must soon write *finis*, I know that sorority means not only the opportunity of making friends, but also that of being a friend. I have come to look upon our principles as living truths—truths vital to me. I can never be thankful enough for the broader vision, for the greater tenderness, which sorority has given me.

There are nineteen (19) girls here in school, each of whom I may call “Sister,” and not feel that it is an empty name. There is no richer word in the English language than the word “friend,” and sorority has deepened its meaning for me, and made it glorious. To be a friend—there is no greater privilege.

To those sisters who are young in sorority life, I say, be of good cheer. There are discouragements, difficulties,, but bye and bye, if you keep the faith, the shams and the littleness will shrink away. You will have learned for a fact that it is “More blessed to give than to receive.”

SARAH ANNE SMITH, Delta.

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THE SELF CENTERED CHAPTER.

It is natural for every chapter to be interested in and work for herself, but sometimes the girls in their enthusiasm forget the best interests of the sorority at large.

The chapter must be judged by something more than rushing parties, and if the girls are not identified with the general activities of the college, they will find that the reputation of their

chapter suffers thereby. Even people not antagonistic to sororities criticize the lack of interest, which some sorority girls show toward college life. The various literary societies, public-speaking, Social Service Organizations and the Y. W. C. A., are not only means of broadening each girl's life, but also of increasing the standing of her sorority at college.

Again, the girls should be national in thought and feeling as well as in name. Let us forget our own ideas and customs, and remember that other chapters may have good suggestions for us. Some one has said that it shows provincialism and lack of culture to laugh at customs and modes of dress, which seem to us peculiar. We should not then be narrow in our sorority growth. Our Journal is the best medium for the exchange of ideas, and should be read with thoughtfulness and interest by every girl, who is interested in the national progress of Alpha Xi Delta.

LENA G. BALDWIN, Eta.

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THE SCHOLARSHIP PROBLEM.

Recently there has been introduced into the Greek letter world, a determined effort toward higher standard of scholarship. There have been many plans tried with varying success, but the most improvement in all cases is noticeably among the upper classmen. The younger students seem to require some strong impetus to spur them on to do better work. This is one of the great problems of the present day and as a remedy, I would suggest that a pledge should be required to attain a high scholarship before being initiated. For those already initiated, in order that they may not become lax in their work a plan somewhat similar to that of the Wisconsin chapter of Phi Gamma Delta might be effective, namely that of engraving the name of the freshman with the highest scholarstic standing, on the chapter's silver loving cup, at the end of each semester. If there is need of an incentive, let the incentive be worthy of good work.

NELLIE A. PROVOOST, Alpha.

TWO VIEWS OF THE QUESTIONS OF HONORARY MEMBERS.

Some time ago I read an article on Carl Schurtz, who was an honorary member of Phi Kappa Psi, and since then I have been wondering why the constitution of Alpha Xi Delta forbids honorary members.

Our patronesses are a great help to us socially and we are always grateful for their help and encouragement. But Alpha Xi Delta is something more than a social organization. There are big things being done outside the college world of which we should know, but unfortunately the college girl is often ignorant of these problems. And there are cultured women making a place of prominence for themselves all over our country, who could give us inspiration and a broadened outlook and whom Alpha Xi Delta might justly be proud to claim as members.

Honorary members should not be numerous, but a few wisely chosen with the approval of the Grand Committee would be of great assistance to us. Not only could we go to them for advice and encouragement, but we could also feel that we had a representative in the outside world. Our patronesses and the general public might then recognize that we had some object aside from social successes.

There is a general tendency on the part of our parents—always willing to give us any pleasure—to call a sorority a “club,” and to look upon it as a place where the girls have a good time, and sometimes, as a place where a girl may work off her extra enthusiasm. Evidence of this feeling in our elders is found in the indulgent smiles, when a girl drops some word about her sorority in the home circle.

There is another fact which we must recognize, and that is that the sorority has many enemies among thoughtful college educators. Now, if the general college world should see that we had as an honorary member some earnest, well-educated woman, known not as a society leader, but as a woman interested in the important problems which are confronting the world today, then, I am sure, our purpose would be better understood and we would meet with less opposition.

My idea of an honorary member is that she should be an initiate, should know every secret and purpose of our organization, and belong to us, not in name only, but in reality. Such a woman, if she have breadth and culture, could be of infinite help and inspiration because she would know and understand our perplexities where a patroness would fail because of her lack of intimate knowledge of the situation. Honorary members should be very, very few, as has been said, but what city has not some woman, of notable refinement, character, and attainments, who would not welcome the opportunity of sharing her own breadth of vision with a band of enthusiastic college girls? And which of us could not profit by intimate contact with such a woman?

ETA.

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Some one has asked why there are no honorary memberships in Alpha Xi Delta, why the Constitution forbids it, and what reason the sorority founders had for thus making the law. As near as I am able to answer for them, the feeling among our earliest members, and which still prevails to a great extent, was that an honorary membership does not really mean very much, either to the one who receives it or to the chapter which bestows it. Webster defines an honorary member as "a person possessing a title or place in an association without performing services or receiving a reward"—an empty sort of privilege. Such a person is not a member at all in the truest sense of the word, as she can know nothing of the inner workings of the organization, none of its secrets, or aims and ideals, except as they are reflected in the lives of the members. The bestowal of such title can easily become meaningless and promiscuous. This has become apparent to me in the Order of the Eastern Star, a Masonic order for women, where it seems to be the custom when a Grand Officer visits a chapter to make her an honorary member of that chapter. It really amounts to nothing but words, though the Grand Officers may value it more than I think. Perhaps if our own chapters would use this privilege in the same way as does the above mentioned Order it might not be objectionable. For myself I would

by no means refuse an honorary membership in Mu Kappa Epsilon or any chapter of our sorority that I visited; still, it could not make me more an Alpha Xi Delta than I am, nor give me any privileges which I do not now enjoy. But the question is not so much in reference to giving the title to our own girls as to older women or men, who could not, from the nature of things, be initiated into the sorority. It might be satisfying for a chapter to be able to claim some noted woman, say Mrs. Roosevelt or Mrs. Taft as an honorary member but except as sounding somewhat closer, what real good could such a woman do that a patroness could not? A patroness gives the prestige of her name and her help. What more could an honorary member do? A patroness can join in the social part of chapter life and give counsel and aid—an honorary member could not do more. My solution to the question is substitute patroness for honorary member.

ALPHA.

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A PERSONAL LETTER TO ACTIVE ALPHAS.

Dear Alpha Xi Delta Sister:

As an alumna, I should like to add my plea that each chapter make an especial effort to keep in close touch with all its Alumnae. It takes but a short time for an active girl to write a letter and send it on its way; but that letter means a great deal to the recipient to let her know that she is remembered during the activities and pleasures of college life; to make her feel that she is still in touch with that "college life;" to cheer her and encourage her so that she may do her own work better. All this it surely means, and that letter may also bring her back for a visit to the chapter house, as I am going back to visit Kappa Chapter on March twenty-sixth.

Fraternally yours,

MATTIE FARGO, Kappa.

A FOUNDERS' DAY PLEDGE.

'Tis Spring—all earth rejoices.
All sadness taketh flight.
It cometh from the winter,
As daytime come from night.
As April half advances,
And nature hath appeared.
The heart of every Alpha
Is much inspired and cheered.
For then we have a feast day
And rejoice with all the earth,
In celebrating far and near
Our Alpha Delta's birth.
We praise our much-loved Founders
Of dear old Alpha Xi;
Who made it possible to have
This best sorority.
We hope that we may profit
From each ideal and aim,
And may achieve far greater things,
To add to Alpha's fame.
So we pledge increased devotion,
And will ever more be true,
To our dear, old Alpha Delta,
And the gold and double blue.

—*Bess Randle, Beta.*

Editorials.

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The August ALPHA XI DELTA will be a special catalogue number, and will be sent to none of our exchanges. The catalogue will include as complete a roll and directory of each chapter as it is possible to secure, but with the exception of necessary convention announcements and information, probably no other matter will be included in this special issue.

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The National Pan-Hellenic conference has announced the admission of Zeta Tau Alpha fraternity to full membership in the conference. We take this means of communicating the announcement to all Alpha Xi Deltas, in order to express for our sorority our pleasure in welcoming Zeta Tau Alpha into the conference. This further extension of Pan-Hellenic influence and opportunity is indeed gratifying, and must be added to the published list of concrete results of inter sorority work which has been prepared by the present National Pan-Hellenic secretary, and which appears elsewhere in the pages of this issue.

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We wish to remind the treasurer of each chapter that our present constitution requires her to collect one dollar from each member who is not to return to the chapter next fall. This dollar is to pay for the JOURNAL for such member during the next succeeding year, and will, we trust, establish in all subscribers thus secured the excellent habit of being a constant reader of the ALPHA XI DELTA.

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Elsewhere in this number, our grand Secretary makes formal announcement of the convention of our sorority to be held with Eta chapter next October. It is not much to hope that this will be in every way the best convention Alpha Xi Dela has ever held. In order to make this possible, the present duty of each chapter

is to make a careful and wise choice of delegates, choose a girl who can best represent the essential and important elements of your chapter life, and who can likewise bring back to your chapter a complete survey of the real work of the convention. We hardly need to add that such a delegate will not necessarily be the best dressed girl in your chapter. She may or may not be your most popular member. But if she is a girl who can give or already has an accurate appreciation of your chapter's needs and local difficulties, and who can so present these to the convention as to have them rightly understood and dealt with, she will accomplish much for the good of your chapter. We do not mean to disparage social attractiveness, but we believe other qualities are more important in convention representatives.

Because the special character of the August JOURNAL may prevent us from making further comment on the subject, we wish at this time also to urge all Alphas who possibly can to attend this convention. The editor will, we trust, be pardoned for feeling the liberty of the host impressing this invitation, for she was once privileged to be an active member of the chapter which is to entertain us this fall. We feel in consequence a perfect right in promising to all visitors the heartiest of welcomes to Syracuse,—not inappropriately called the “convention city” of New York state. But even the most liberal assurances of rare hospitality and enjoyment should not be your chief motive for coming to Syracuse—great as is the pleasure always found at such occasions. Come, rather, because the convention will need you. Every member of our sorority would have to be present, were the convention to be exactly ideal, and the nearer we can come to such a happy representation, the nearer will we be to having an ideal convention. The advice and experience of our alumnae are especially necessary to the work of the convention. We therefore particularly urge the alumnae to attend this convention of 1909, and help make it successful.

Regarding the legislation of the convention. We have been asked to submit to the Grand Secretary a list of the questions which we would like brought before the delegates next fall. This is an important request and should receive prompt attention. From time to time the contributors to the JOURNAL have pre-

sented difficulties which should receive consideration at the convention, and we trust that the ones who have been troubled with these problems will now request such consideration. A word of explanation is due here to some of the correspondents who sent for this number of the JOURNAL, articles dealing with questions upon which convention action is deserved. Most of these we have omitted, because the discussion seemed more appropriate for our own secret sessions than for publication. The very fact of their omission here, however, renders it more necessary that they be included in the lists prepared for the Grand Secretary.

Let us think, and plan, and work to make the 1909 convention a splendid uplift to our sorority at large.

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Just as we go to press the news comes that the petition from the University of California has been favorably voted upon by Grand Committee and chapter. At this time we can do no more than voice the sentiment of the sorority in cordially welcoming the new chapter. May prosperity attend the installation of Omicron of Alpha Xi Delta.

Exchanges.

[Exchanges are requested to send one copy to each of the following: Mrs. S. R. McKean, 2402 W. Fourth St., Williamsport, Pa.; Mrs. J. R. Leib, 1271 W. Washington St., Springfield, Ill.; Mrs. J. E. Gilmour, 154 Elm St., Bradford, Pa.]

We acknowledge the receipt of the following publications, calling attention to a few of the interesting and instructive articles:

The Frater of Psi Omega:

November—

*January—*This number as well as many others of our exchanges contains a reprint of Professor McDermott's article, "The Chapter House and Its Effect on the Fraternity," followed by the "Symposium" on Chapter houses," part of which we publish elsewhere in this issue.

The Adelphean of Alpha Delta Phi:

*December—*Theta Chapter of Alpha Delta Phi has been established at Lawrence University, Appleton, Wisconsin.

Kappa Alpha Journal:

October—December—

April—

Sigma Kappa Triangle:

January—"It is very easy for the sorority to become the most important thing in a girl's college career. It is the thing nearest to her and so is the thing largest in her sight. But let her extend her vision and see that the college is larger than the sorority though farther away and that the sorority is but a means to a larger end."

The Phi Chi Quarterly:

January—"Phi Chi in Olympic Games." "Life on a Shanty Boat."

The Arrow of Pi Beta Phi:

January—"The University of Toronto," with illustrations, arouses our interest in Canadian college life. The article is written in connection with an account of the establishment of Ontario.

Alpha of Pi Beta Phi:

"How our Chapters are Housed." Statistics, regarding all of the chap-

ters, tell the size of chapter, house accommodations and management, including amount of rental and methods of meeting expenses.

The Anchora of Delta Gamma:

January—"Fraternity Advertising." "Then the sorority magazine has an added value as an advertisement medium which no newspaper or any of the ordinary periodicals has. Readers of *The Century* for instance, feel no obligation to patronize the dealers in various wares who advertise in its pages. Readers of THE ANCHORA are joint stockholders in ANCHORA. They realize that the advertisements are addressed to them individually and that their patronage of ANCHORA's advertisers is an essential element in the prosperity of ANCHORA. The fraternity idea is loyalty to the national body. If advertisers could be made to realize that their sorority advertisements are carefully read and conscientiously remembered by the most loyal body of readers in this country this asset of sorority advertising would not be overlooked."

April—

The Shield of Phi Kappa Psi:

January—

March—This number is given largely to the Fifty-sixth Annual report of the secretary of the fraternity. Phi Kappa Psi has now a grand total membership of 11,100. There are forty-one active alumni associations.

Beta Theta Pi:

January—A Tulane number. Beta Xi of Beta Theta Pi was established at Tulane University of Louisiana, November, 1908.

February—

Kappa Alpha Theta:

January—Installation of Alpha Lambda chapter at the University of Washington, Seattle.

March—Installation of Alpha Mu chapter at the University of Missouri.

The Lyre of Alpha Chi Omega.

January—

The Mask of Kappa Psi.

January—

Delta Chi Quarterly:

February—Another fraternal organization for the University of Washington. Delta Chi placed a chapter in the Law School in November, 1908.

Alpha Phi Quarterly:

February—

The Key of Kappa Gamma:

February—"Loyalty—How Far?" by Henry David Gray, Stanford University. We quote in part—

"Loyalty to a fraternity, then, like every other form of loyalty, like patriotism itself, ceases to be the beautiful thing that it naturally is when it interferes with loyalty to truth and justice, with loyalty to one's own best self and the most healthful life of others, when it ceases to be outspoken even when speaking out may be very hard, when it in any way condones what is wrong.

"The sentiment against "telling," the feeling that one must befriend a culprit, especially, perhaps, if he belongs to the same fraternity, the noble heresy that a man must answer to his own conscience if he chooses to cheat on examination, and not to those others who are implicitly wronged by the comparison resulting, these are instances of a loyalty to the student group which are in fatal opposition to a higher loyalty. When students feel such an impulse toward good citizenship that they will let it outweigh the false loyalty which leads them to shield a wrongdoer because he is a fraternity mate or a classmate, when, in other words, the higher loyalty triumphs over the lower, then they will ask no one's permission to organize themselves into a tribunal of justice; nor will they let any temporary extraneous discipline interfere with their own exposing and expelling of any who are guilty of drunkenness or disorderly conduct, or the getting of university credits under false pretenses, or of any other offense to the state or the community.

The Phi Gamma Delta:

February—We find the third sketch of one of the founders, Ellis Bailey Gregg, in the February issue.

March—

Delta Sigma Delta:

February—"Other Fraternities and Our Fraternity" by the Editor.

The Themis of Zeta Tau Alpha:

February—

The Trident of Delta Delta Delta:

February—An interesting department called "Pan-Hellenic," contains items regarding local and National Pan-Hellenics.

Delta Delta Delta's twenty-eventh chapter has been installed at Stanford University.

April—"Notes by the Wayside." A few experiences while inspecting and installing chapters.

The Garnet and White; Alpha Chi Rho:

January—

March—A Convention Number

The Alpha Tau Omega Palm:

March—This issue is given largely to an account of the Twenty-First Congress held at Pittsburg, 1909. "Democracy in College" by Thomas Arkle Clark contains many excellent thoughts. We reprint the closing paragraphs--

I have no sympathy with the idea which I once heard expressed by a fraternity man that, "A fellow who knows his own bunch well, knows all the people in college worth knowing." Every fraternity man is under obligations to know and to be interested in every individual in the group of men with whom he has cast his lot, but his duty does not end here. He owes something more to the community, something more to the college, something more to himself. The head of a household, of course, owes his first duty to his family, but his obligations are not ended when this duty is discharged. He owes something to the community in which he lives, something to society, and something to the state, and the man who refuses to recognize these obligations is a poor citizen. It is equally the duty of the fraternity man, over and above his fraternity spirit, to be imbued with a real *college* spirit which will lead him to help every legitimate college interest. He should try to know as many men as possible, and he should never be above recognizing any man whom he knows. He should get into one or more of the general activities of college life—athletics, society, religion, politics, and out of them he should secure as thorough a training and develop as wide an acquaintance as possible. Every general organization should find some fraternity man in it; no worthy movement should be started without his support. It is only by thus showing his democratic interest in general college affairs that he can justify his narrower fraternal interest. If fraternities are to receive the general approval from college authorities which they deserve, the fraternity man must show that he is neither narrow in his interests and his sympathies nor a snob in his manners. He must show that he has at heart the best good of the college and of the college community. If the fraternity is to reach its best development in the future there must be no doubt in the mind of any one that the principles of the fraternity are broad, high, and democratic. Democracy is one of the most potent factors in a liberal training. The fraternity man, because of his opportunities, because of his position in the college community, has an unusual chance to exercise a strong force in the development and in the spread of such a spirit. He owes it to himself, he owes it to his fraternity, and he owes it to the college which nurtures him to do what he can for the strengthening of the democratic spirit in the college in which he works. The spirit of Alpha Tau Omega, I am sure, is in harmony with the spirit of democracy which has always characterized the American nation, and I feel confident that those who listen to me will carry with them into the college and the organizations from which they come this spirit of interest and helpfulness, not only in the specific organization to which they belong, but in the college and the community at large.

The Record of Sigma Alpha Epsilon:
March—

The Delta Upsilon Quarterly:
March—

The Crescent of Gamma Phi Beta:

The Elensis of Chi Omega:
February—

The Scroll of Phi Delta Theta:
February—The National Convention.

Announcements

The Gamma Phi Beta Sorority takes pleasure in announcing that the Nu Chapter of the Sorority was installed in the University of Oregon Eugene, Oregon, on Friday, December the eighteenth, 1908.

The Grand Council of Kappa Alpha Theta announces the establishment of Alpha Mu Chapter at The University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri on Friday, February the twelfth. 1909.

The Kappa Kappa Gamma, Fraternity announces installation of Beta Phi Chapter in the University of Montana, Saturday, March the twentieth. 1909, Missoula, Montana.



Chapter Letters.



ALPHA.

Dear Sisters:

One of the most enjoyable events of our life at Lombard this year was the visit of five Beta girls to our Chapter. The visitors were the Misses Elva Potts, Ethel Caris, Ethel Milospaugh, Bess Randle and Blanche Heizerman. We hope to meet these girls again and to become better acquainted with them and also to meet other Alpha girls, for since meeting the Betas, we feel drawn nearer to all our sister chapters.

The Alpha girls were charmingly entertained at "500", Jan. 26th at the home of our patroness, Mrs. Dyke Williams, 545 N. Prairie street. We were invited to spend Sunday, Mar. 28th, at the home of our sister, Mrs. Bertha Cook Evans, of Monmouth. Miss Grace Cook, a graduate of '08, was the guest of honor. Miss Florence Imes, Miss Maude Bruner and Mrs. Dudley were other guests. It is needless to say that all present had a jolly good time and were sorry when the time came to leave for home.

Mabel Hendel.

BETA.

Dear Sisters:

Spring vacation is over, which means that Easter "bonnets" have been selected, Delineators and Pictorials have been put aside and our minds are again taken up with more important subjects than spring styles.

May Johnson entertained the chapter at a dinner party recently. We had a fine dinner and a glorious time as we always do at the Johnson home.

Sister Alice Babb, who is now a Senior at Northwestern, visited the chapter a week in March. A spread was given in her honor at Florence Stephen's, Mrs. Kapp, a patroness of the chapter and a cousin of Miss Babb, entertained the Alpha girls and patroness at a delightful reception. The Misses Helen and Louise Schell, Alpha Phis of Northwestern, also entertained several of the Alphas at a dinner complimentary to Miss Babb.

The Senior class has chosen the play, "As You Like It," to present on class day. The cast of characters has been selected by a committee of

the Faculty. Lucille Brady has been given the part of Audrey and Mabel Duncan that of Celia.

The Wesleyan Boom given March 15th, was a grand success. Sister Alice Cheney, President of the Y. W. C. A. under whose auspices the Boom was given is to be commended for its success.

We wish to tell Zeta and Eta chapters that we also have a pair of twins, Lucille and Louise Brady. We have had them four years but since they resemble each other so slightly, we had forgotten we could make such a boast.

Beta is very much grieved on account of the death of their beloved patroness, Mrs. Lola Goan Galer, which occurred March twenty-first. Mrs. Galer was a patroness of the ideal type. "Our Alpha Mother" she was called by the girls and that title speaks for itself. Though an invalid for several years, she was ever interested in the best welfare of the Alpha girls and her home and heart were always open to receive them on any occasion. Beta chapter has indeed lost a friend.

Sincerely Yours,

Mabel L. Duncan, '09 Beta.

GAMMA.

Dear Sisters:

Gamma takes pleasure in introducing three new sisters,, Jessie Garman, '12, Lillian Moore, '12 Margaret Patton, '12.

On the evening of March 4th, Mrs. W. W. Webb threw open her beautiful home on S. Union avenue to the girls and a number of their friends. The girls were pleased to have Grace Newhouse-Yaggi of Salem, Anna Jones-Yaggi of Cleveland, and Laura Atkins-Oesch of Sebring, present on this occasion.

March 21st the girls gave a spread at the house for the active and alumnae members.

President elect and Mrs. McMaster arrived in Alliance on April 8th, and were met at the depot by several hundred students, who formed an arch of purple-covered canes thro' which they walked to the waiting carriage draped in College colors and penants, which a number of the boys pulled to college, followed by the students and the "rube" band formed for the occasion. At the College, Mr. McMaster greeted the students and trustees who were present, thanking them for his warm reception, and ending by giving with the student body the college yells.

On the evening of April 14th a reception was tendered Mr. and Mrs. McMaster at the First Methodist Church, at which over a thousand were present.

Alpha Xi Delta's share in the welcome given Mrs. McMaster is best told by a clipping from the "Alliance Daily Review:"

"One of the most elaborate social functions ever undertaken in local college fraternity circles was carried out Saturday by the Alpha Xi Delta sorority at the chapter house on College street.

In the afternoon a reception and musicale was given in honor of Mrs. W. H. McMaster, wife of the new president of the college, which is described as the most brilliant affair of the kind ever seen in Mt. Union. The chapter house had been superbly decorated for the occasion in college colors and purple pennants mingled in elaborate profusion with ferns, palms and white spiraea. Purple candelabra, bedecked with violets, were also a part of the scheme. About 80 guests were present in the afternoon.

The out of town guests present in the afternoon were Mrs. Sumner Oesch of Sebring, Miss Pearl Lang of Canton, Lucile Strong of North Benton and Mrs. L. E. Yaggi of Cleveland, O.

The receiving line was composed of Mrs. Albert Zang, Mrs. W. W. Webb, Mrs. Arthur Wright, Mrs. J. B. Bowman and Mrs. W. H. McMaster. The following musical program was carried out:

Piano solo 5th Nocturne, Leybach, Miss Hinshilwood; Quartet—The Sweetest Flower that Blows, Misses Walter, Olive Bracher, Mary Bracher, Mrs. John Boyd; reading, A Dear Old Story, Miss Ruby Walter; solo—When the Heart is Young, Buck, Miss Blanche Bracher; piano solo, Berceuse op. 57, Chopin, Miss Vivian Strong; duet, I Live and Love Thee, Mrs. Arthur Morris and Miss Olive Bracher; piano solo, Valse in E, Moszkowski, Miss Bessie Senor; solo, Miss Ruby Walter; quaret—A Southern Lullaby, Phipil, Misses Walter, Olive Bracher, Mary Bracher, Mrs. John Boyd; piano duet, Qui Vive, grand galop de concert, W. Ganz, Misses Bessie Senour and Verna Binkley.

In the evening the girls of the sorority and the local alumnae entertained some of the college men in a most delightful manner. A portion of the musical program of the afternoon was repeated and games and contests made a pleasant social evening. A line of the chorus of a song was distributed to each guest and when the four lines of the chorus were assembled the quartet holding them was obliged to sing the song.

About sixty were present at the evening reception."

The following paragraph from the Review tells of another of our present college interests:

"The students and others interested in the welfare of Mt. Union college will be pleased to learn that plans are being made for a remodeling of the campus at this well known institution of learning. President McMaster has taken up the subject with Mr. Yost of New York, who is a trustee of the college and also a noted landscape architect, and under the latter's supervision plans and profiles are now being prepared. It is the intention to lay out the entire campus in the form of a park making driveways and walks, surrounded by lawns, beds, etc. The arbor day exercises were held Friday, when some 35 trees, 140 Virginia creepers and 75 Boston ivys were planted, making the first step in the movement toward improving the college grounds."

K. Olive Bracher.

DELTA.

Dear Sisters:

The spring time which brings joy and gladness to the hearts of all is here at last, but we begin this, the last term of the school year, with a little sadness mingled with our joy. Seven of our girls will leave us never to return as fellow-students, but we feel proud that so many girls will go out into the world filled with the principles of Alpha Xi Delta, so ready to meet the problems of life and do good to all with whom they come into contact. The winter term was a short and strenuous one for all of us. February the twenty-second the Delta girls kept open house in their new sorority room. The occasion was very enjoyable. In the evening of March seventeenth we entertained our young gentlemen friends with a St. Patrick's party. We have planned a programme for April seventeenth, Founders' Day, which will be given at the home of Sister Garda Bachell.

We hope to have many picnics this spring and make these last days full of happiness.

Since the last issue of the Journal we have pledged Miss Verna Mercer of Randolph, Ohio.

We are looking forward to commencement, when several of our old sisters will be with us again.

We wish you all a happy spring time.

Yours in A. X. D.

Jennie A. Smith.

EPSILON.

Dear Alphas:

We are happy to announce the pledging of Ella Christansen of Lake Preston, So. Dakota.

Commencement preparations have begun and we are brought to the realizations that school days will soon be over for some of the girls. Our Seniors are Helen Frazee, Lucile Camerer, Lois Nicols and Mabelle Eastman.

A University Club has been established. It is composed of the executive heads of all the classes and organizations in the student body.

The Law Building was dedicated in February. Two new buildings which will soon be erected upon the campus are the Library Building and the University Heat, Light and Power Plant.

Debates with the University of North Dakota and Creighton Law School were won by U. S. D.

March 30th the Sophomore class presented the play "Monsieur Beaucaire." Esther Johnson had one of the leading parts.

"One of the most delightful as well as elaborate social functions of the year was held on Saturday evening, March 13, when the members of Epsilon of Alpha Xi Delta entertained their friends at their annual dance at Woodman Hall. The hall was profusely decorated with thousands of red poppies.

Garlands of poppies, alternating with ribbon of green covered the walls and ceiling of the entire room. The whole effect was that of a veritable floral bower indescribably beautiful in the softened glow of the electric lights. Two little girls presided at the punch bowl and ices in poppy cups were served during the evening. Prof. and Mrs. Akeley and Prof. and Mrs. McDaniels acted as chaperons. The dance orders were dark blue lambskin, with the sorority seal in gold, tied with light blue cords."

With the heartiest of good wishes to all Alpha Xi. Deltas.

Epsilon.

ZETA.

Dear Sisters:

As this is the last Journal before we separate in June, Zeta wishes for all the girls a very pleasant and happy vacation.

Since the last time we wrote, our membership has increased to sixteen. On the evening of Feb. 5, we initiated into the mysteries of Alpha Xi Delta, Hortense Geiger at the home of Ruth Collien.

We have one pledge whom we expect to make an Alpha very soon.

Zeta girls are looking forward to Founders' Day, in celebration of which we are going to have a dinner at the Arcade Hotel. Our patronesses will be invited.

This year we have been most fortunate in having a very kind friend, the grandmother of Helen Dormblaser, who has thrown open her house to us every Friday afternoon for our meetings. Perhaps some time soon we shall have a house all our own.

On St. Patrick's evening Ruth Collien entertained the Alpha girls and some of the boys from each fraternity represented at Wittenberg. The out of town guests were Myrtle Wildasin and Mrs. Victor Smith.

Our patroness, Mrs. John Zimmerman has been very enthusiastic and has worked unceasingly in the interests of the local option campaign. After April 29th Springfield will be a dry city.

E. Hazel Wright.

ETA.

Dear Alpha Sisters:

A spring time greeting to you all from Eta. The beautiful weather seems a promise of a long restful summer, free from college cares and worries. But we have had such good times along with the work that we almost hate to leave even with such a promise.

Directly after mid-year examinations we entertained our patroness at a Chafing dish supper. We all sat around the dining room while three or four girls did the cooking at the tables. And such good things as were brought to us. Our appetites were on edge, from watching the bubbling and boiling. We had creamed salmon, Scotch woodcock, sandwiches, shrimp salad, cheese creams, tea, olives, potato chips, ice cream, cake, salted nuts and candy.

Later the girls sang and played and we ended by a long Alpha song.

We have given several informal dances during the semester and they always insure a good time. Once more we have two new girls to introduce to you all. Miss Esther Slate, 1911, of Mount Vernon, New York, and Miss Belle Vickery, 1912, of Phoenix, New York. They are both fine girls and we are well satisfied with our spring rushing.

About a week ago the biennial Fake Show was given by the Fakirs' Club of the College of Fine Arts. The basement of Crouse College was converted into a midway and some of the side shows were ridiculous. They were all pure fakes, of course, and the more you were taken in the more you liked it. Upstairs in the chapel two preformances of the big show, a musical extravaganza, gotten up by faculty and students, were given. This was not a fake but was very witty and pretty. The members were dressed in all manner of unique costumes and they went through the halls selling programs or yelling as an advertisement of their particular side show. In fact each seemed to be trying to make more noise than any of the others.

Helen Lewis.

THETA.

Dear Alpha Xi Deltas:

Theta again wishes to extend her invitation to you all to come to the Alpha Xi Delta camping party on Lake Monona, across from Madison, June 24, July 1st.

Mar. 17th we entertained at a St. Patrick's tea. The decorations were green, of course, and besides the subdued green electric lights, we used green candles, set in potato candle holders. Bess Adams, who attended the school of oratory at Northwestern University, read for us.

The Saturday preceding our tea we entertained at whist for our chaperone, Miss Harriet Field.

Hugh Black, the great Scotch minister, gave a series of talks at Madison in March. He spoke at convocation one noon. During the month that Polley Fenton, '06 and Winifred Ryan, '09 were away, the town members of Theta had their turn at real sorority home life. They lived at the house, one or two at a time, for a few days each.

The University circus was given April third, and was a great success, especially the act in which Teddy hunted lions and tigers in the jungle consisting of two palms.

The Senior Engineers gave their minstrel show about a week prior to the circus. Commencement week is rather late this year being from June 19th to 23.

Our spring dancing party will be given May 22. The Glee Club gave a concert Mar. 12. Patsy Cline, '12 took part in it.

Frances C. Albers.

IOTA.

At last we are able to have a frat room. We had often in sorority circles discussed the advisability of renting a house and having a matron; then we had a great time deciding on the locality. Last summer we found that our finances would permit us to rent a room for the present school year and appointed a committee for this purpose. When school opened in the fall those of us who live out-of-town were delighted to hear that we were really going to have a frat room. It is in the front of a very pretty home centrally located. While it is not "up a winding stair" it is upstairs. To start with we had a bare room. First, we had our floor stained and covered with rugs. We had carpenter build window seats. Our room is under the eaves and the double front windows are not very high, but with a window seat it is a pretty corner. At one side there are two high double windows and another window-seat hung with pretty curtains in rose pattern. The window seats are upholstered with blue denim and put on with brass tacks in order to carry out the frat color scheme. At one of our banquets we decorated the ceiling with the tri-colors which we have left up. The walls are hung with pennants of different fraternities and colleges, and a few pictures. The cosy corner is the most popular place in the room. The furniture has been contributed by different friends. Our alumnae have donated various articles toward the ornamentation of the room.

One evening last term a special meeting of the chapter was held at the home of Mary Frances Chadwick. After the business session the girls were served with delightful refreshments and the rest of the evening was spent in social enjoyment.

The Annual Military Ball took place Feb. 18 and the whole week was given up to social affairs for the many out-of-town visitors.

During Military Ball week the local chapters of Delta Tau Delta, Phi Kappa Psi, and Sigma Chi gave "open house" receptions.

On the afternoon of March 2 Iota gave a reception at the sorority room to the patronesses, the mothers of the girls and a few friends, in honor of Mrs. W. E. Glasscock, the wife of the new governor of our state. Misses Marie Courtney and Olive Weaver assisted in receiving the guests.

The chapter held its seventh initiation on Feb. 25-26. Miss Ada Moon and Mrs. Ethel Crimm-Peterson were received as Alpha sisters. After the ceremony a banquet was served and a short toast-program rendered.

On Feb. 22 the "Gym Girls" entertained the "Non-Gyms" with an old-fashioned country fair. All the usual attractions were on hand, the fortune teller, picture fakir, snake eater, ocean wave, and stock exhibits, being the most popular. The refreshments consisted of "hot dog" sandwiches, popcorn balls, pink lemonade and ice cream cones.

Lillian Smith recently entertained the chapter at her home in South Park in honor of her house-guest, Miss Antoinette Manning of Charleston, W. Va.

Soon after Initiation day Iota entertained her pledges with an informal affair at the "frat room."

We are pleased to announce Edith Smith, '12 of Morgantown as a recent pledge.

Mrs. W. J. Leonard delightfully entertained the chapter with a chafing dish party at her home on University Driveway on the evening of March 26.

Iota will hold "open house" for its friends on the evening of April 10 at the sorority room.

Mary Meek Atkeson.

KAPPA.

There are one hundred and one things Kappa would like to say this month. We know that every other chapter has been envying us the past week, for Mrs. Leib has been with us and you all know what that means. She came Friday noon. March twenty-sixth and we tried our best to wear her out during her four day visit but you all know her enthusiasm and untiring energy makes everything and everybody bright and happy wherever she is. Kappa owes everything to Mrs. Lieb, it was she who installed us, and has continued to look after us ever since. We look forward to her visit of inspection with a great deal of pleasure and each year strive to come a little nearer the standard she sets for us.

I will pass over two days of her visit here and go to our "frat" meeting of Monday evening, for it was without exception the best Kappa has ever had—due to Mrs. Leib's presence. The meeting was formal following the regular order of business, with a very helpful talk by Mrs. Leib on sorority affairs and our own weaknesses, which I will carefully omit here. We all liked it however and wouldn't mind hearing one of the same kind every week. Miss Kays also talked on the history of the fraternity. We have a talk by one of the girls at every meeting on some phase of sorority life. After the business meeting we had initiation. Ivalon Branch becoming our new sister. We are very glad to welcome her as one of our members. Never before has initiation meant so much to the Kappa girls.

In February Winifred Campbell and Mary Swartz gave us a valentine party at the home of the latter in Urbana.

We take pleasure in announcing Oma Barns of Harrisburg, Ill., as a new Alpha pledge.

All our pleasure has had a very sorrowful ending. The girls of Kappa sincerely sympathize with Rosalie, Louise and Janeatte Retz in their present sorrow. When God calls our parents from us we feel as tho the dearest ones on earth had passed away.

Grace Spencer.

(The following account of the formal opening of Kappa's new home seems rightly to belong with the chapter letter above.—Ed.)

KAPPA'S ANNUAL.

More of Kappa, and if it becomes tiresome to you we have only one

excuse to offer that is, from all quarters we hear but one cry "We know nothing of Kappa." "What is she doing," "We never hear from her."

You all know about our chapter house so you will feel familiar with the following description of its formal opening.

Friday evening, March twenty-sixth we held our annual dance at Illinois hall. There were over eighty people present, including town and out of town guests and the active members and their friends. Miss Gant our chaperone, Mrs. Leib, Prof. and Mrs. Rankin and Prof. and Mrs. Dufour formed our receiving line. The grand march was led by Katherine Blake and Harry Ruskamp assisted by Myrtle Coker and Mr. Braley. We danced a program of twenty dances to the best music that Champaign affords. The dance was very informal and every one had a jolly good time.

Saturday was our big day we began early in the morning and made every crack and corner in our house gleam forth with cleanliness. We scraped, and scrubbed, and worked all morning. The house has been papered and all the rooms carried out a certain color scheme. The two front bed rooms are in green the middle ones pink and the back ones in yellow.

The lower floor was decorated with Jackson vine from the south over the banister on the lights and curtains and in the dining room. Pink roses were everywhere. The dining room table was festooned with smilax and a big tank of roses filled the middle. One end of the living room was set aside for the musicians, who played during the afternoon and evening. This part was banked to the ceiling with palms. There were palms in all the rooms.

The reception line consisting of Katherine Blake, Miss Gant, Mrs. Leib; Miss Kollack, dean of women, Mrs. Rankin; Mrs. Dufour and Mattie Vargo and Lucile Kays, formed at three o'clock as the guests began to arrive. Each party was shown over the house and then served with orange ice, coffee, cake and mints. Then each guest received a little gold quill with a light blue ribbon and A. X. D. on in dark blue. These were very attractive of course.

The house was crowded until nearly six when the girls, all but dead, began to revive their spirits with lunch which Mrs. Rankin very thoughtfully provided.

The formal evening reception began at eight. Myrtle Coker, Governor Robert Taylor of Tenn., Dean and Mrs. Davenport, Miss Gant, Prof. Garner, Mrs. Clarke, Dean and Miss Rollack, Mary Bickel, Mattie Vargo, Prof. and Mrs. Rankin, Prof. and Mrs. Dufour and Anita Barrett formed the reception line.

There were over three hundred and fifty guests present.

We owe a great deal to the help of Mrs. Leib, Miss Gant, our chaperone, and our patronesses. If it had not been for their advice and assistance the girls would not have been able to overcome many obstacles and make the reception such a thorough success.

LAMBDA.

Dear Sisters:

It will be only a few weeks more before the long summer vacation. We are all looking forward to our annual house-party at Rockport, in June.

On the twentieth of January, the Lambdas gave an informal tea to the faculty wives, in a few of the girls' rooms. A very pleasant afternoon was spent, and it was a happy opportunity to become better acquainted with our guests.

The arrival of the new sorority song books has been the occasion of many happy hours spent together.

On February the sixteenth the Sophomore class presented the play "My Brother's Keeper," and our three "eleven" girls, Sue Knight, Audrey Duffey, and Bertha Shepard, took prominent parts. The Freshman play, "A Rank Deception," came a month later and Edith Bradford took the part of a fine young man.

Miss Cleveland spent the nineteenth and twentieth days of March with our chapter. We enjoyed having her with us very much, and wished that her visit might have been a longer one. While she was here, we enjoyed a theatre party, seeing Ethel Barrymore play in "Lady Frederick."

The Junior girls held their banquet the seventh of April, at which Estella E. Buttlerfield gave a toast, and Ada L. Smith sang a solo.

Our big dance will come the fourteenth of May, and course we are all looking forward to the event with pleasant expectations.

With the best wishes of the season,

I am fraternally yours,

Elsie May Chandler, Lambda.

 MU.

Dear Sisters:

Mu chapter is very glad to introduce her new initiate Genevieve Hartgering and her new pledge, Helen Cunie. This rounds our active membership up to an even dozen and with the addition of these new, enthusiastic girls we are looking forward to a very happy and profitable spring and summer.

Although we were much disappointed that, on account of her mother's illness, Mrs. Leib could not make us her intended visit, we enjoyed the few days Miss Ellen Ball spent with us and were sorry that she could not remain over for the big spring party at which we entertained a number of freshmen at the home of Georgia Belle Elwell, on March 6th. The afternoon was spent in playing progressive quirkley cuts and after dinner a vaudeville performance was given on the third floor followed by informal dancing.

On February ninth Mu chapter gave her annual formal dancing party at Alice Shevlin Hall, the Woman's Building at Minnesota, and in spite of the fact that a blizzard was raging without, sixteen couples enjoyed a most delightful evening.

Great rivalry has arisen between the different co-ed class organizations at Minnesota. The senior organization, "Cap and Gown" was organized last year. This year "Bid and Tucker," the freshman, "Pinafore," the sophomore, and "Tam-O-Shanter," the junior organizations all sprang into existence, each having frequent spreads and social gatherings. The junior girls have been more energetic than the others, however, and entertained five hundred men at their last gathering.

Great excitement centered around the Girls' Basket Ball Tournament which came off recently, and although Ruth MacNamee of our chapter played on the Sophomore team, the Freshmen won the cup.

We are looking forward to our Founders' Day celebration which is to take the form of a banquet this year and sincerely hope that every chapter may have a most delightful day and the pleasantest of summers.

Fraternally,

Blanche Grand Maitie, Mu.

NU.

Dear Alpha Xi Delta Sisters:

As the last message of the College Year, Nu wishes to extend to all her sisters best wishes for a happy vacation.

Since the publication of the last Alpha Xi Delta, several important events have happened in the world of Nu. First among these was the reception on Jan. 30th of six splendid girls into our beloved bonds; we therefore wish to introduce you to your new sisters, Edith Potter, Marie Sauter, Daphna Leasure, Anna Balsch, Cornelia Mattice and Claire Weatherford. Two pledges have also been added to our number, Vetabel Phillips and Zelda Connor—two lovely girls, whom we will initiate before we part for the summer.

On Feb. 5th, Alpha Xi Delta at Washington held its one formal affair of the year in the form of a reception, both afternoon and evening, to all its friends. The reception and chapter rooms were decorated in Alpha Xi Delta roses and banks of green, and the dining room was resplendent in yellow tulips and chrysanthemums. More than five hundred guests called during the day.

The first of March Alpha Xi Delta took a very important step forward, by moving from the old chapter house to a beautiful new one near the University boulevard. Nu is certainly delighted with the change and wishes that some of her eastern sisters might be able to pay her a visit and be shown the beauties of her new home.

Delta Tau Delta recently presented the new house with a beautiful silver coffee percolater, engraved "Alpha Xi Delta." Nu is much indebted to her friends of Delta Tau Delta for their lovely gift.

The buildings of the Alaska Yukon Pacific Exposition are progressing and rapidly nearing completion, some of the exhibits being already placed. On account of the opening of the Exposition June 1st, Commencement from

the University will occur June 2nd. At this time Nu will lose four of her number, Adelaide Fisher, Mary Smith, Alice Murchison and Lela Parker.

The Womans League of the University held a County Fair on April 3rd at which over three hundred dollars was cleared and added to the fund for the Woman' Building.

Alpha Xi Delta was entertained on the afternoon of February 13th at a Valentine party, by Miss Anola Gross, one of the chapter's dear friends. A very pleasant afternoon was spent.

Nu is eagerly looking forward to Founders' Day, which which will be celebrated with a Banquet at the Butler Hotel. Invitations have been sent to all the Alumnae and to our Patroness. The Banquet will be followed by a toast program and the prophecy and history of our chapter.

Lela K. Parker, Nu, '09.

XI.

Dear Alpha Delta Sisters:

Since our last letter the Alphas at Kentucky have been very busy, our classifications for the term, just ended, were heavy and but few gayeties relieved the monotony of the mid-winter term.

During the last two weeks Chemical and Physical laboratories have grown very distasteful; for spring, Kentucky's loveliest season, now has full sway. The meadows and woods are a wilderness of wild flowers and the magnolias are in full bloom. All afternoon the songs of the cardinal call us from school duties out into his own bright realm of sunlight.

The fifth of May is the date which has been set for our annual "Girls Gymnastic Tournament," Baroness Posse of Rome, Italy, is to be our honored guest for the occasion, and is to present the silver loving cup to the winner of the tournament. May the fates smile upon Alpha Xi Delta.

We are planning to celebrate Founders' Day enjoyably but not elaborately. We are very young Alphas, therefore it is doubly necessary that we use all precaution against anything that might cause us to forget the real significance of the day. We have planned a luncheon in honor of our alumnae and a few patronesses.

Pearl Claybrooke, one of Psi's most beloved members, is coming to Lexington, April 10, to be initiated into Alpha Xi Delta. She will be a guest at our Founders' Day celebration.

Lida Jones, Xi

ALLIANCE ALUMNAE.

Dear Sisters:

Alliance Alumnae wishes all her Alpha Xi Delta sisters a pleasant and happy summer.

We have been holding our regular meetings at the homes of the girls twice each month and have had delightful times together. In this manner,

interest in the active chapter does not fail, and we learn many ways in which we can be of assistance to them, and are also kept in closer touch with the College.

The Alumnae girls are greatly interested in the Mt. Union College Woman's Association which has been effected within the past few weeks and Alpha Xi Delta has been well represented in the work that is being carried on. Mary Bracher served on the Committee to draft the Constitution; Mary Kay and Etta Bates were on the reception committee for our new President and his wife. Mabel Hartzell is Recording Sec'y. and Mary Kay Corresponding Sec'y. for the Association. The organization has been formed in the hope of giving some substantial aid to the raising of the \$200,000 endowment fund for the College and the trustees of the College have been asked to arrange for the endowment of a woman's professorship as a fitting memorial to the notable fact that Mt. Union was the first of all the Colleges to offer to women the same educational advantages as to men. The endowing of this chair will be the aim of the Woman's Association, whatever is raised applying at the same time on the \$200,000 fund. It will be a part of the work to secure and place on file, historical data pertaining to the founders of the college and to the struggles of the early days.

Mary C. Bracher.

BOSTON ALUMNAE.

Dear Girls:

Boston Alumnae had its January meeting at the home of Eleanor Ladd, ex. '08, in Medford. We were all pleased to see the pretty, new home of Eleanor and her mother. We were unfortunate in having big snow storm that day, yet there were nine girls who ventured out. Because of the absence of the president we had no business meeting, but had just a good social time.

In February we met with Lala Nye in Somerville. We had an unusually large number of girls present. After the business meeting we spent considerable time singing Alpha Xi Delta songs.

Our March meeting at the home of Irene and Florence McCoy, was a week earlier than the appointed time, because we had Miss Bertha Cleveland. Grand Vice President with us. She was here to inspect us. We were delighted to see her again, for we all remember how pleased we were to know her when she was here nearly three years ago when we were not Alpha Xi Deltas, but hoped to be. We should have liked to have seen her more, but her visit was very short, and of course the active chapter had the greater claim on her time.

Now we are looking forward to Founders' Day which we are going to celebrate at the home of Julia Gibbs-Adams in Waltham.

Engagements

Kappa.

The engagement of Gertrude Edbrook, 'ex '11 to William Miller Osburn, Alpha Zeta, Cornell, '08, of Utica, N. Y., has been announced.

The engagement of Florence Bass, 'ex '—, to Richard Morris of Boulder Col., is announced.

The engagement of Mary Swartz, '06, to T. Carson, *Sigma Chi*, Urbana, Ill., is announced.

Theta.

"The engagement of Charlotte Stough of Minneapolis, to Roscoe Young, of Wansaw, Wis., was announced Easter Sunday."

Boston Alumnae.

Marriages

Alpha.

The marriage of Emma Estelle Garst to Mr. Ernest Hinshaw occurred in March, 1909.

Births

Beta.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Morgenson, (Laura Clark) of Albia, a son, Dana Clark Morgenson, Jan. 14, 1909.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Mead Piper (Mary Huston) of Des Moines, a son, Stanley Huston, Feb. 16, 1909.

Gamma.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shaw (Blanche Whitla) a daughter, March 2nd.

Epsilon.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Heeden (Josephine Hanson) a son, February 16, 1909, at Sioux City, Iowa.

Lambda.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph D. Thomas (Marion McQuinn), a son, on February 22nd.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. George Lowe (Betsey Harmon) a son, John Harmon Lowe, on April 2nd.

Personals

ALPHA.

Miss Minnie Hughes of Table Grove was a recent Lombard visitor.

Miss Allen Thompson will not be in school during the spring term.

Edna MacDonald-Bonser, '98, is spending some time traveling in Europe with her husband and little daughter. Prof. Bonser has a year's leave of absence from the State Normal School, Macomb, Illinois and is doing some original research work abroad.

Grace Cook, who has been teaching in the High School at Benton Harbor, Michigan, is spending her spring vacation with her sister, Mrs. Bertha Cook Evans.

Rosa Rains-Kopta with her husband and two little girls lives in Hutsonville, Illinois.

Emma Estelle Garst was married to Mr. Ernest Hinshaw in March 1908. Her address is Standford, Ill. The Alpha girls who know this new sister will rejoice with her in her new life.

Carrie Alice Stickney, '97, is spending the winter in Cambridge, Mass., 12 Chauncey St., three streets north of Harvard square. Last summer was spent in Europe where she visited eleven different countries. Her two brothers graduated this year from Harvard, and one brother holds a position as instructor. On account of his position, Miss Stickney is granted the privilege of being Harvard "dame," and as such is kept busy socially. Preparatory to a European travel next year Miss Stickney is taking a course in conversational French this year.

Mrs. J. K. Mitchell and Mrs. Bertha Davis Taggart, two of our patronesses are spending the winter in Europe.

All Alpha Xi Delta girls are cordially invited to attend the Love Feast, and reunion of Alpha Chapter, during Commencement week at Lombard.

BETA.

Beta announces Nettie Johnson as a new sister in Alpha Xi Delta. She was initiated March 19th.

Peryl Mathews, of Winfield visited the chapter a few days recently.

Nell Downer-Wineer, 'ex '05, returns from the Canal Zone soon and will visit Wesleyan friends during Commencement.

Beta is pleased to announce a new patroness, Miss Martha McClure a P. E. O., of chapter A.

Elizabeth Laner of Winfield and Effie Peden of Floris spent a few days with us before vacation.

Mabel Duncan accompanied a Concert Company as reader on a short tour in February.

Louise Singer-Mailson, '03, of Shokane, Wash., is in Mt. Pleasant for a visit with her parents.

DELTA.

Miss Nan Roberts spent a few days at Bethany recently.

Miss Annie Smith was the guest of Miss Eunice Orison of Morristown, Ohio, last week.

Miss Elizabeth Gatts spent a few days at her home last week.

Miss Effie Griffith was a recent home visitor.

Miss Emily Roberts of Pittsburg spent a Sunday in Bethany not long ago.

The Misses Fern and Hazel Hanna spent their spring vacation at their home in Millersburg, Ohio.

Miss Hazel Mercer, Miss Juanita Greer, and Miss Edith Mercer spent last week in their home at Rudolph, Ohio.

Miss Florence Linville was a recent home visitor.

Miss Mary Gray spent a part of her vacation at her home in Pittsburg.

Miss Garda Bachell will give to the Delta chapter of A. X. D. on April seventeenth a dinner party at which Founders' Day will be appropriately celebrated.

EPSILON.

Nina Wallace Jasmann ex '10 and Alice Bernne, '06 were here for our dance March 13th.

Mrs. O. E. Sweet (Lorena Grange) and son James of Rapid City, So. Dak., spent March and April visiting in Vermilion.

Olga Averkieff, '05 is practicing medicine in Russia.

Hellen Frazee will attend the University of Washington next year.

Helen Miller recently spent a few days with her sister Margaret at Tyndal, So. Dakota.

Mabel Greene, ex-'10, is teaching near Unadilla, N. Y.

Marjorie Breeden, Law '07 is practicing near Undailla, N. Y.

Alice Brenne and Clara Salmer will visit the A. Y. P. Exposition this summer.

ZETA.

Miss Mabel Winn, who is a Junior at Oxford spent Washington's Birthday with Myrtle Wildasin.

Myrtle Wildasin gave a Martha Washington tea in honor of Mable Winn.

Helen Dornblasen was recently elected Y. W. C. A. president for next year. She also took a leading part in the play "The Sleeping Care" given by the Juniors on College Night.

Horfense Miller spent a few days last week in Dayton.

Gertrude and Helen Keller spent Sunday with their parents.

Miss Fornshell is visiting her sister Margaret at Fern Cliff Hall.

ETA.

Miss Helen Chase played at a public recital given at John Crouse College a short time ago.

Miss Nettie Britton, '07 visited the chapter house this spring.

We were very glad to have with us for a few days Miss Mable Erwin, of Alpha chapter, who is studying at St. Lawrence College this year and Miss Jeannette Steck of Zeta Chapter who is teaching near Utica.

Miss Edith Lawrence who has been on the faculty here for two years, is teaching in the normal and public schools of Rochester, N. Y.

Miss Florence Long, '12, was obliged to leave college the middle of the year on account of the illness of her mother. We hope Florence may be back next year.

THETA.

Mary McRae, '06, spent a few days with us in February.

Signe Raven, 'ex '10, who is attending a girls' school in Berne, Switzerland, is spending her spring vacation, traveling in Italy.

Theta announces the pledging of two Freshmen, Marie Vaas, of Madison and Marion Potts of Appleton.

Winefrid Ryan, '09, was at home for two weeks in February on account of illness.

Miss Edith Fawcett spent her spring recess at the house with her cousin, Patsy Chave.

Ruth Strong, '11, is out of the Varsity on account of illness.

Nanna Hough, '09, spent her vacation with her sister, Mrs. Raven, at Merrill and Elizabeth Tucker, '11, visited with Florence McRae, '10, at Rhinelander.

Mary Rayne, '09, is in the University again this semester.

Polly Fenton, who has been away doing library work, is home again.

Louise Erb, '08 and Elizabeth Erb, '07 Agnes Raven, '06, and Frances Albers, '09, will travel in the west this summer.

Frances C. Albers.

IOTA.

Mrs. C. E. Hogg recently visited Mrs. Rankin Wiley of Point Pleasant, W. Va.

Among the Alphas who attended the inauguration of Governor W. E. Glasscock were Mrs. C. E. Hogg, Leola May Smith, and Mary H. Cooper.

Mary Stewart Fravel is a member of the committee on decorations for the "Junior Prom." one of the most important of the Junior committees.

Ethel Crimm-Peterson has been elected Corresponding Secretary of the Y. W. C. A. for the coming year.

Mrs. T. C. Atkeson, who has been shut in with a sprained and fractured ankle for the past three months, is still unable to walk.

Miss Wiggins of Tewksbury, Mass., is visiting her sister Mrs. W. J. Leonard.

Crystal Courtney told two Uncle Remus tales at the annual open meeting of the Beowulf Gedricht on Feb. 20.

Mabelle and Blanche Watkins of Grafton, W. Va., and Elizabeth Sadler of Point Marion, Pa., were out of town visitors for the initiation.

Crystal Courtney and Mabel Weaver recently visited Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Stooksberry at Fairmont, W. Va.

Ethel Averil Green, who has been out of school for some time on account of illness, has re-entered the University for the spring term.

Ethel Crimm-Peterson won the second prize in the short story contest for the year's "Monticola."

Mary Meek Atkeson has been elected President of the Pan-Hellenic Association for the coming year.

KAPPA.

Mattie Fargo, '06, of Cedar Falls and Eva Rule, ex '10, spent several days with Kappa during March.

Vida Gentsch, '08, is spending the winter in Florida with her parents. Elizabeth Abbott is in Florida for her health.

Agnes Shannon, '08, is teaching at Hinckley, Minn.

Irie Wood will resume her position in Minnesota next week.

Lura Case, ex '11, Louise Retz, ex '09, and Louise Dewitt, '06, visited Kappa during February.

Gertrude Edbrook and Edena Hunt will be with us next month.

Jeannette Johnson and Gertrude Fisher of Bloomington; Misses Grentzmacher and Doland of Chicago; Helen Beltzhoover of Dwight and Sue Mowry of Geneseo were guests of Kappa for the dance and reception.

Mrs. Blake visited her daughter Katherine in March.

Mrs. Melrose visited her daughter Mary last month.

Mrs. Garner, one of our patronesses, is visiting in Mississippi.

Only seven girls will remain in the house during Easter vacation.

Elibabeth Patrick, ex '08 will be with us during intersocial week.

Mrs. Mangold will spend next month with her parents at Homer, Ill.

LAMBDA.

Dora Johnson, ex '08 is teaching in Starkey Seminary, Lakemont, N. Y.

Anadine Hoyt-Fernald, '02 has been visiting in Maine.

Helen Burkett-Richardson, ex '00, recently entertained at her home in Somerville, Dr. Rachel Benn, a missionary from northern China.

Florence Garton-Needham, '05, is visiting her father, Rev. J. Vanor Garton, in Somerville, for the first time since her marriage. Her little son is with her. She is here to attend the marriage of her sister.

We regret to announce the death of Olive Ryan's mother. We all extend to Olive our most sincere sympathy.

MU.

Valdora McLeod, ex '10, graduates this June from Miss Wood's kindergarten school, Minneapolis.

Martha Olsen has taken up elocution at the Ellenn Miller school of Oratory and Dramatic Art in St. Paul.

Laura Benz entertained at a delightful afternoon party just after the Holidays. Mu chapter was also most delightfully entertained by two of her patronesses, Mrs. Downey and Mrs. Robinson at the home of the latter on January 23.

Mary Shiely, '08, is teaching in St. Paul.

Florence Jones, '08, who is teaching in Zumbrota came up for the Junior Ball.

Dolly Hendrickson, Fanny Gordinier, '08, principal of Caledonia High School, and Mrs. Hitching, (Mina Schaetzel) have also been recent visitors.

Elsie Lathrop entertained the chapter and a few friends on February 20th, assisted by Genevieve Hartgering.

NU.

Hazel Giesseman spent a week with us in February, being present at our initiation and Reception.

May Chambers, '08, who is teaching in the Port Angeles High School, was recently in Seattle for a short visit.

Marion Wrigley, who spent the winter in California with her sister Mrs. Swift has returned to Seattle.

Lillian Esary of LaConner visited Nu at the time of Initiation.

Rosalia McNamara Lynch, who spent several weeks with Lillian Esary in LaConner, has returned to her home in North Yakema, much improved in health.

XI

Mrs. Florence Offut Stout, Dean of Women, recently spent two weeks at Patterson Hall. The girls enjoyed her visit very much. The Alphas gave an informal spread in her honor.

Pearl Claybrooke of Springfield, Ky. will visit her sister Mrs. G. D. Turner and the Alpha Xi Delta girls during the month of April.

Lillian Ferguson attended the inter-collegiate track meet which was held in Louisville, March 12.

Miss Helen Dickey had as her guest during the first week of March her sister Isabel Dickey of Covington.

Our girls are very much distressed over the illness of Mrs. G. Emery Allen, one of a few patroness.

Miss Elizabeth Wallis and Lida Jones will go to Louisville, the first week in May to attend the Southern Baptist Convention.

Annie Simral spent several days at her home in Mt. Sterling last week.

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The Second Call.

A SPECIAL announcement concerning our national convention re-enforced by an editorial appeared in the May journal when the chapters were urged, nay fairly implored to send in the topics they wished discussed. About four responded. Thus encouraged, I am going to repeat the request and hope that the others will redeem their seeming indifference by taking up this matter **the first week** after their respective colleges open this fall.

The constitution with the amendments made since its adoption in 1902, will be revised and reprinted immediately after convention. Such changes as are to be made must be made then and we shall need every good idea and suggestion that is to be found anywhere among our eight hundred girls. There are to be discussions on subjects that concern us all, such as local Pan-hellenic agreements, new chapters and sorority house management. We can make this convention **count** in a business way, as has none of the others and for our sorority's sake, do let's do it.

The active chapters all intend to be represented by at least one member, I believe, and in several cases by four or five. This augurs well for the success of the convention, but we are especially anxious to have our alumnae attend this time. Any one who has ever attended one of our conventions will testify to the fact that the effort of getting ready for the trip was repaid a

hundred fold by the enthusiasm and the sorority spirit with which she was greeted.

Let us who are to meet at Syracuse in October go there prepared to work together seriously and thoughtfully for the good of our beloved sorority. We urge the chapters to talk over the subject of new officers and to be prepared with suggestions. Ability and plenty of time and energy to devote to the work with an extra supply of good judgment are the important requirements. Remember that the policy and most of the responsibility for our sorority's success during the next two years will be in the hands of the Grand Committee that YOU elect this fall.

Don't forget the time; October 28, 29, 30. Address Miss Helen Truair, 414 Irving Ave., Syracuse, N. Y., for information concerning accommodations..

MARY EMILY KAY,
Grand Secretary.

Sorority Extension.

THE recent discussion of this important subject in the sorority examination brought out some excellent ideas and showed that many of our girls are thoughtfully considering one of Alpha Xi Delta's most serious problems. It was inevitable, however, that many of these opinions should be molded largely by purely local conditions for very few active members have had any opportunity of knowing the conditions of any college save their own and possibly those of one or two nearby institutions.

I find my own opinion being constantly revised and made over as I visit the colleges where we are either already established or where we are thinking of placing chapters. One thing that I have come to realize very clearly is that a chapter which may be very strong on its native hearth would hardly survive a week in some other college where the conditions are entirely different, and yet this chapter, by reason of its local strength might be a most desirable addition to our chapter roll. A thing like this is sometimes hard for the active chapter to understand.

Expansion up to this time has been almost imperative. Without representation in some of the best institutions our name was doomed to remain in obscurity and for that reason as well as for the quality of girls which our new chapters have brought us, I am satisfied that we have not grown too rapidly. However, our standing is now assured and we are reckoned with "the twelve leading sororities." Our name is fairly well known and I believe that we have the respect of the other Greek letter societies. We undoubtedly need the infusion of new material in the shape of further additional chapters, but it goes without saying that we cannot be too careful in granting charters.

In my opinion unless a local has already won a strong position and has some alumnae backing, it should not be allowed to make formal application sooner than a year, perhaps two or three, after it has made its desire to do so known to the Grand

Committee. No matter how desirable the personnel of the members, a new chapter is doomed to two or three discouraging, struggling years unless, as a local, it learned the invaluable lesson of "team work." It is a positive injustice to charter a local that has not passed through at least one successful rushing season and expect it to "make good" in competition with its older, better established rivals. This is a lesson that could only come through experience but hereafter it should be the first point to be considered as petitions are presented.

Any one who has visited many colleges will admit that it is a great mistake to assume that all of the best chapters are in the large colleges and most of the poorer ones in the small institutions. Personally, I am opposed to entering a college where there is any doubt as to a sufficiency of good material not only for our own chapter but for a strong rival or two, for rivalry if conducted on an honest and good natured basis is sometimes the best spur to chapter ambition. But there are excellent colleges with an enrollment of from six to eight or nine hundred students where a strong faculty and a few handsome, well equipped buildings attract a good quality of young men and women. The smaller western state universities offer a splendid field of this kind and as these institutions are absolutely sure to keep pace with the rapid development of their respective states we would do very well indeed to "get in on the ground floor." Kappa, Kappa Gamma entered the University of Wisconsin between twenty and thirty years ago when there was an enrollment of about three hundred students. The position of this sorority is now practically impregnable at Wisconsin. Kappa recently entered Montana State University where there are one hundred and eight-five students—would some of our chapters have considered such a petition? Yet history will repeat itself and Kappa has made another wise move.

In such colleges we can, after proper investigation, place an occasional chapter and see results much sooner than in some of the very large institutions where the life is filled with a thousand distractions and varying interests and where the fraternity

homes and the social activities are conducted on a very elaborate scale.

While caution is to be observed in placing new chapters, I doubt if we add so much to our prestige as some of us imagine by keeping petitioners in suspense after we are satisfied that they meet our requirements. Do not let us fatuously assert that we shall not enter an institution until we can occupy a position as strong as any sorority there. This is seldom possible. I repeat what I have already said, that a local should win a position for itself before it can expect a chapter, but it is idle for us to demand the unreasonable. The oldest sororities in the large universities have in every case been years in attaining their present position, so that hard work and costly experience would indeed be things of little worth if any new-comer could with trifling effort obtain the same prestige. Do not misunderstand this however. The girls in a new chapter might be as bright and attractive as any to be found but **as a group** they would probably have to work before being so well and favorably known as their oldest rivals. Our requirements should be high but not impossible.

One favorite reason for declining to vote either for local members or for petitioning bodies is that "they aren't our style," or "they don't look like Alpha Xi Deltas." These arguments, usually a cover either for personal prejudice or for ignorance of the true conditions, I do not attempt to answer other than by asking what "our style" is and what an Alpha Xi Delta is supposed to look like. I have seen girls of various types, complexions and spring hats who made equally good sorority girls and, it must be confessed there are some very contradictory conceptions as to our particular style.

Another thing it is well for us to remember: there is not, and never has been, either a fraternity, or a person so fortunate as to escape unfriendly criticism. No matter how circumspect in conduct, how brilliant in intellect or how attractive in appearance, a flaw will be discovered and reported by some one. It would be very foolish to be governed in our voting on a prospective chapter by the report that some outsider, upon whose

opinion we have no reason to stake our faith "didn't" think much of the local." Let us send competent inspectors who can be depended upon to recommend a good all-around type of girl and who will not leave the college in question until she is satisfied that the petitioners have the general respect of their college world and are taking a creditable part in all the student activities. She will consider them not only for what they are but for their possibilities of future development. Let us send inspectors upon whose reports we can depend and then let us stand by their recommendations.

Don't think from the foregoing that I consider every girl I meet and every local that applies desirable and worthy of membership. I only plead that our members vote more thoughtfully and have better reasons for their decision either for or against.

The moth eaten fallacy that we should take no more chapters until those we already possess have reached perfection, is taken out now and then, dusted and exhibited. It would be fully as sensible for the parents of a large family to keep all of the children in the nursery regardless of age and ability until the eldest had become a U. S. senator or a Harriman. If weak chapters really become stronger by declining excellent openings in good schools doubtless we should all be dazzled by this argument. While we were busily refusing new chapters, what form of activity would the exponents of this view have us take by way of strengthening our weaker chapters? So far I have yet to hear a suggestion of any kind as to this side of the question.

The editor has been good enough to allow me this opportunity of singing my "swan song" in her catalogue number, a favor of which I am very appreciative as the fact that it is not to be exchanged enables me to speak more frankly than would be possible otherwise. The sorority has really made a remarkable record in its seven years of national life, but after all it is only a beginning and there is plenty of hard work ahead. If the chapters could only be brought to realize how much their own success, or lack of it, affects the general sorority not only would they work harder, but the national spirit would become a more potent force throughout the sorority and our progress would be cor-

respondingly more rapid. Too many of us belong to our chapter instead of to our sorority. We all need education along this line and we need a broadening of vision that will enable us to make surer, safer judgments and that will mercifully preserve us from standing in our own light.

MARY EMILY KAY, Gamma, '04.

Directory of Alpha Xi Beta.

PREFACE.

THE members of the editorial staff after conferring with the Grand Committee, decided to publish the August number for our own members only, making it largely a directory number.

The names are given as nearly as possible in order of initiation, according to chapter historian's records, but in the case of Gamma this was impossible as the chapter records are incomplete. The degrees and years of obtaining them are indicated, but in numerous instances, courses have been completed which have no degree, so that the actual number of graduates is larger than indicated by the degrees,—though not shown.

- * Charter members.
- ! Deceased.
- || Expulsion.
- ? Present address unknown or doubtful.

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Total number of members, July 1, 1909..... 715

Number of deceased members 6

Total living membership..... 709

ALUMNAE CHAPTERS.

1904.	Alliance Alumnae	Alliance, Ohio
1905.	*Mt. Pleasant Alumnae	Mt. Pleasant, Iowa
1907.	Boston Alumnae	Boston, Mass.

* Inactive.

Membership Roll.

ALPHA CHAPTER.

Established April 17, 1893.

Lombard College.

Galesburg, Illinois.

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| 1. | *Bollinger, Cora J. | |
| | Block, Mrs. Louis | 1416 Rock Island St., Davenport, Iowa. |
| 2. | *Curtis, Eliza M., B. D. 1894. | |
| | Everton, Mrs. J. L. | Le Roy, Ill. |
| 8. | *Cheney, Almira Lowrey, A. B. 1896. | Saybrook, Ill. |
| 4. | *Cook, Bertha, A. B. 1896 | |
| | Evans, Mrs. O. C. | 723 W. Washington St., Monmouth, Ill. |
| 5. | *McCollum, Harriet. | |
| | Gossow, Mrs. C. W. E. | Santiago, Calif. |
| 6. | *Foster, Julia Maude | Madison, Minn. |
| 7. | *Gilmer Lucy, | Quincy, Ill. |
| 8. | *Bartlett, Alice Helen, A. B. 1898. | |
| | Bruner, Mrs. Murray S. | 203 Fifth St., Aurora, Ill. |
| 9. | !*Cheney, Francis Elizabeth, B. D. 1902. | |
| 10. | *Strong, Lewie A. | |
| | Taylor, Mrs. E. A. | Park City, Utah |
| 11. | Bishop, Belle | |
| | Wallace, Mrs. | ? |
| 12. | Berry, Susie | |
| | Daudo, Mrs. | Spirit Lake, Iowa (?) |
| 13. | Stickney, Carrie Alice, A. B. 1897. | 12 Chauncy St., Cambridge Mass. |
| 14. | Boston, Ella Berry, A. B. 1899. | |
| | Leib, Mrs. John Robert | 1271 W. Washington, St.,
Springfield, Ill. |

15. **Garst, Emma Estella.**
Hinshaw, Mrs. Ernest Stanford, Ill.
16. **Galbreath, Ida, A. B. 1898.** Walton, Ind.
17. **Smith, Effie**
Noble, Mrs. Fooseland, Ill.
18. **McDonald, Edna Madison, B. D. 1898.**
Bouser, Mrs. Frederic W. Adams St., Macomb, Ill.
19. **Ericson, Josephine.** 1417 Grand Ave., Galesburg, Ill.
20. **Fleharty, Belle**
Clark, Mrs. J. A. 281 R. F. D., Craig Ave., Pasadena, Calif.
21. **Arnold, Mabel,** Rio, Ill.
22. **Cook, Sarah**
Lorton, Mrs. J. B. 1717 Wabash St., Mattoon, Ill.
23. **Pingrey, Grace Olive, A. B. 1901.**
Carpenter, Mrs. Coon Rapids, Iowa
24. **Lapham, Harriet**
Heerman, Mrs. 96 Fulton St., Tuscon, Ariz
25. **Pingrey, Jessie**
Wolfe, Mrs. Chaming E. Coon Rapids, Iowa
26. **Kidder, Gertrude Grace, A. B. 1900.**
Kern, Mrs. Olive St., Galesburg, Ill.
27. **Cutter, Flora May, A. B. 1897.**
Boger, Mrs. Arthur C. Camp Point, Ill.
28. **Bush, Florence**
Hiles, Mrs. Newark, N. J.
29. **Thorn, Mary Ester** 416 Park St., Elgin, Ill.
30. **Epperson, Edna**
Brinkman, Mrs. Harry 4929 Vincennes Ave., Chicago, Ill.
31. **Hoskinson, Maude L.**
Smith, Mrs. Bert Rushville, Ill.
32. **Schnur, Grace, A. B. 1901.**
Andrew, Mrs. John Longmont, Col.
33. **Lester, Ada Luetta** Superior, Neb.
34. **Marriot, Jennie, A. B. 1901.**
Buchanan, Mrs. W. D. 924 N. St., Tacoma, Wash.
35. **Linguist, Lillian** 933 E. Main St., Galesburg, Ill.
36. **Walker, Jessie**
Watson, Mrs. Earl Barry, Ill.
37. **Miles, Helen**
Smith, Mrs. A. Galesburg, Ill.
36. **Low, Janet**
Page, Mrs. Elle, Rockwell City, Iowa.
39. **Henny, Virginia.** Mitchellville, Iowa
40. **Miller, Edith Louise** Monmouth, Ill.

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| 41. | Collins, Jessie | | |
| | Moore, Mrs. | R. F. D. | Janesville, Wis. |
| 42. | Day, Nellie Jessie | | Augusta, Wis. |
| 43. | Kellog, Helen | | Clinton, Ill. |
| 44. | Bruner, Maude Ella. | | Monmouth, Ill. |
| 45. | Brickey, Ida Edith | | Fooseland, Ill. |
| 46. | Andrew, Maud, A. B. 1903. | | New Salem, Ill. |
| 47. | Rains, Rosa | | Hutsonville, Ill. |
| 49. | Coleman, Annie Brown, | Care of Osborn Co., | Indianapolis, Ind. |
| 50. | DeVoll, Inez May | 125 N. Franklin St., | Madison, Wis. |
| 51. | Matson, Clara Christine | | |
| | Zuell, Mrs. L. | | Lake Geneva, Wis. |
| 52. | Mills, Mabel | | Ossian, Iowa |
| 53. | Gillis, Anna Moore, A. B. 1903 | | |
| | Kimble, Mrs. T. C. | | Abingdon, Ill. (?) |
| 54. | Wrigley, Marion | 1132 8th Ave. West, | Seattle, Wash. |
| 55. | Cox, Laura Gaddice, | | Augusta, Wis. |
| 56. | Oldfield, Maud Olivia, | | Mitchellville, Iowa |
| 57. | Kober, Florence Leclere, A. B. 1904 | Calhoun St., | Macomb, Ill. |
| 58. | Harsh, Alta E. | | Baxter, Iowa |
| 59. | McAchrn, Ruth | | |
| | Burchard, Mrs. E. D. | 119 Court St., | Ottumwa, Iowa |
| 60. | Gunder, Edith Elleen | | Arcanum, Ohio |
| 61. | Sammons, Mabel Alta, A. B. 1904. | 103 Mound St., | Joliet, Ill. |
| 62. | Oleen, Evelyn | 3202 Beacon St., | Chicago, Ill. |
| 63. | Elting, Grace Helen. | | ? |
| 64. | Pittman, Eskridge | | |
| | Logan, Mrs. Sam, | | Prescott, Ark. |
| 65. | Garver, Ora | | Rockford, Ill. |
| 66. | Hollister, Florence, A. B. 1907. | | |
| | Colby, Mrs. Earl | | Marshall, Minn. |
| 67. | Cook, Grace Jane, A. B. 1908. | 937 Corella, St., | Newberry, S. C. |
| 68. | !Wise, Lorena. | | |
| 69. | Stryker, Bell, A. B. 1907. | 402 Union St., | Joliet, Ill. |
| 70. | Richey, Frances, A. B. 1907. | | Galesburg, Ill. |
| 71. | Sykes, Kathryn Anna, | East Main St., | Galesburg, Ill. |
| 72. | White, Bertha | | Barry, Ill. |
| 73. | Williamsons, Bessie B., A. B. 1909. | 450 N. Kellog, | Galesburg, Ill. |
| 74. | Brower, Mary | | Fullerton, Neb. |
| 75. | Rich, Gertrude | | |
| | Simmons, Mrs. Charles | | Stockton, Ill. |
| 76. | Irwin, Mabel Jane | Box 761, | Canton, N. Y. |
| 77. | \|\| _____ |  |  |
| 78. | Hendel, Mabel Irene | Charles St., | Colchester, Ill. |
| 79. | Thompson, Aileen Lucile | | Colchester, Ill. |

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| 80. | Imes, Florence | 402 W. Calhoun St., Macomb, Ill. |
| 81. | Pittman, Berta | Prescott, Ark. |
| 82. | Bailey, Leila Pearle | Stoughton, Wis. |
| 83. | Provoost, Nellie Alice | Pecatonica, Ill. |
| 84. | Hughes, Minna Elizabeth | Table Grove, Ill. |
| 85. | Cole, Amy Luella, | Williamsfield, Ill. |
| 86. | Partridge, Gladys Lonore, | Pecatonica, Ill. |
| 87. | Stebbins, Hortense | Stoughton, Wis. |

BETA CHAPTER.

Established June 9, 1902.

Iowa Wesleyan University,

Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.

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| 1. | *Parker, Ella M., A. B. 1902. | Mediapolis, Iowa |
| 2. | *Power, Mary A., Mus. B. 1902. | Corning, Iowa |
| 3. | *Bail, Ellen | Mt. Pleasant, Iowa |
| 4. | *Currier, Florence,, Mus. B. 1902.
Stephens, Mrs. G. Ware | Mt. Pleasant, Iowa |
| 5. | *Arnold, Francis Hart, Mus. B. 1903 | Atlantic, Iowa |
| 6. | *Eyestone, Eunice, Ph. B. 1904 | Mt. Vernon, Iowa |
| 7. | *Huston, Mary Belle, Mus. B. 1902
Piper, Mrs. Mead, | Des Moines, Iowa |
| 8. | *Lute, Axle E., A. B. 1903.
Mitchell, Mrs. Will | Meadville, Pa. |
| 9. | *Jackson, Katherine, A. B. 1901.
Randall, Mrs. Jason | Mt. Pleasant, Iowa |
| 10. | *Singer, Louise, B. S. 1903.
Maiken, Mrs. Frank | Spokane, Wash. |
| 11. | *Payne, Pauline, B. S. 1903.
Glendenning, Mrs. Jas. A. | ? |
| 12. | Drummond, Maud | 409 E. 14th St., Davenport, Iowa |
| 13. | Duncan, Ina, Lit. B. 1907. | Mt. Pleasant, Iowa |
| 14. | Spy, Mabel, Lit. B. 1906 | Seattle, Wash. |
| 15. | Maiken, Maud, Ph. B. 1906 | Albia, Iowa |
| 16. | Tribby, Nellie, Mus. B. 1905.
Gillis, Mrs. Henry, | Mt. Pleasant, Iowa |
| 17. | Reeves, Maud, Mus B. 1904. | ? |
| 18. | Stiles, Abbey Dee, Mus. B. 1904. | ? |
| 19. | Carrell, Anna Laura, Mus. B. 1904. | Signomey, Iowa |
| 20. | Randle, Lulu, Mus. B. 1903. | Centerville, Iowa |
| 21. | Anderson, Mabel, A. B. 1905.
Edwards, Mrs. Fred | Delta, Iowa |
| 22. | Downer, Nell
Mineer, Mrs. Bruce. | ? |

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23.	Day, Mabel L., Mus. B. 1904.	Mt. Pleasant, Iowa
24.	VanCise, Edith, Mus. B. 1904	
	Willits, Mrs. Ledru	Mt. Pleasant, Iowa
25.	Walker, Ada	Chicago, Ill.
26.	Clark, Laura, A. B. 1908	
	Morgenson, Mrs. H. L.	Albia, Iowa
27.	Coe, Helen, Lit. B. 1908.	Muscatine, Iowa
28.	Stephens, Alberta	Walpello, Iowa
29.	Springer, Edith.	
	McCullough, Mrs. J. B.	Wapello, Iowa
30.	Smith, Geneva, Mus. B. 1905	Wellman, Iowa
31.	Lauer, Mabel Dorothy, Mus. B. 1905.	Winfield, Iowa
32.	Barnett, Stella, A. B. 1907.	Morning Sun, Iowa
33.	Hightshoe, Luella, A. B. 1907.	Sturgis, S. D.
34.	Falkins, Emma	
	Willits, Mrs. Robert	Mt. Pleasant, Iowa
35.	Pinnell, Ada.	?
36.	Schreiner, Mazie, A. B. 1891.	Ames, Iowa
37.	Babb, Alice, A. B. 1909.	255 W. Park Ave., Aurora, Ill.
38.	Brady Mildred, Lit. B. 1908.	
	Mershon, Mrs. Herbert C. 26 Buena Vista Terrace, Chicago, Ill.	
39.	Johnson, May, B. S. 1909.	Mt. Pleasant, Iowa
40.	Duncan, Mabel L., Ph. B. 1909.	Mt. Pleasant, Iowa
41.	Brady, Lucile, Ph. B. 1909.	Richland, Iowa
42.	Brady, Louise, Ph. B. 1909.	Richland, Iowa
43.	Cheney, Alice, A. B. 1909.	Keasauqua, Iowa
44.	Cheney, Amy, A. B. 1909.	Keasauqua, Iowa
45.	Eyestone, Carrie, Ph. B. 1901.	
	Spencer, Mrs. Robert.	?
46.	Millsbaugh, Ethel	Rome, Iowa
47.	Brinton, Edith	Brighton, Iowa
48.	Mathews, Peryl	Winfield, Iowa
49.	Campbell, Clara	Mt. Pleasant, Iowa
50.	Anderson, Ruth	Pulaski, Iowa
51.	Hinsey, Louise, A. B. 1901.	
	Johnson, Mrs. Robert.	Ottumwa, Iowa
52.	Lauer, Elizabeth	Winfield, Iowa
53.	Peden, Effie	Floris, Iowa
54.	Potts, Elva	Moravia, Iowa
55.	Caris, Ethel	Mt. Pleasant, Iowa
56.	Heiserman, Blanch.	Albia, Iowa
57.	Coolidge, Florence.	Ottumwa, Iowa
58.	Randle, Bess	Centerville, Iowa
59.	Lauer, Etta	Winfield, Iowa

60. Lauer, Myrtle, Mus. B. 1907. Monte Vista, Col.
 61. Johnson, Nettie Morning Sun, Iowa

GAMMA CHAPTER.

Established August 20, 1902.

Mt. Union College

Alliance, Ohio

1. *Atkins, Laura
Oesch, Mrs. Sumner, Sebring, Ohio
2. *Bernhard, Georgia
Mumaw, Mrs. Walker, Canton, Ohio
3. *Bracher, Mary C., Ph. B. 1905, Alliance, Ohio
4. *Fogle, Fern, Mus. B. 1895, B. L. 1899.
Holtz, Mrs. Wilber M. Pittsburg, Pa.
5. *Hinshlwood, Helen, Mus B. 1903. Alliance, Ohio
6. *Jones, Anna L., Ph. B. 1905.
Yaggi, Mrs. Lawrence E. 9099 W. Chester Ave., Cleveland, O.
7. *Kay, Mary Emily, Ph. B. 1904, A. B. 1908 U. of W. 75 S. Union Ave., Alliance, Ohio.
8. *Reeves, Mayme M., Mus. B. 1897.
Zang, Mrs. Albert G. S. Arch St., Alliance, Ohio
9. *Stewart, Pearl, Mus. B. 1900.
Forester, Mrs. Emmet, Martin's Ferry, Ohio
10. *Scott, Mary E.
McCoy, Mrs. Roy, Yonkers, N. Y.
11. *Salmon, Mary E. 6414 Belvidere St. Cleveland, Ohio.
12. *Salmon, Etta May, Mus. B. 1900.
Myers, Mrs. W. E. Cleveland, Ohio
13. *Taylor, Edith S. S. Union Ave. Alliance, Ohio.
14. *Thomas, Pearl A. Warren, Ohio.
15. *Tucker, Mildred, A. B. 1905, Alliance, Ohio
16. Adair, Emma. Salineville, Ohio
17. Allott, Effie. S. Union Ave., Alliance, Ohio
18. Aronhalt, Delphia.
Teeters, Mrs. W. J. W. Main St., Alliance, Ohio
19. Bates, Etta S. 715 S. Union Ave., Alliance, Ohio
20. Bracher, K. Olive, Ph. B. 1909. Alliance, Ohio
21. !Brown, Dora, Mus. B. 1899.
22. Brush, Anna, A. B. 1895.
Ake, Mrs. Harvey, 808 Short St., Canton, Ohio
23. Carrier, Myrtle.
Mumaw, Mrs. W. C. Burton, Ohio
24. Caskey, Lela, Mus. B. 1899.
Leet, Mrs. Kline F. Cleveland, Ohio
25. Campbell, Nellie Meadville, Pa.
26. Cope, Florence Smithfield, Ohio

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| 27. | Copeland, Nancy. | Cadiz, Ohio |
| 28. | Darrow, Grace, Ph. B. 1904. | Leadville, Col. |
| 29. | Davis, Ida. | Bridgeport, Ohio |
| 30. | Dewey, Mabel | |
| | Bright, Mrs. Harry E. | |
| 31. | Dewey, Treva. | |
| | Morton, Mrs. Ira A. | Canton, Ohio |
| 32. | Fenton, Elizabeth, | Conneaut, Ohio |
| 33. | Friedline, Nettie, A. B. 1904. | |
| | Kniepper, Mrs. | Somerset, Pa. |
| 34. | Galbreath, Bessie, Ph. B. 1906. | |
| | Clark, Mrs. Wm. | S. Union Ave., Alliance, Ohio |
| 35. | Grove, Maud, | Urbana, Ohio |
| 36. | Garman, Jessie, | Tyrone, Pa. |
| 37. | Hartzell, Mabel, A. B. 1905, | 840 N. Park Ave., Alliance, Ohio. |
| 38. | Hessin, Nita, | Alliance, Ohio |
| 39. | Heckler, Mabel, Ph. B. 1909. | Alliance, Ohio |
| 40. | Hawkins, Nellie, | Salem, Ohio |
| 41. | Hinshilwood, Alice, | Alliance, Ohio |
| 42. | Hoiles, Effie M. | |
| | Hillis, Mrs. Ross, | Fairmount Road, Alliance, Ohio |
| 43. | Hoffman, Mayme, | Cincinnati, Ohio |
| 44. | Hughes, Katherine Jane, | 2598 117th St., Chicago, Ill. |
| 45. | Hillyer, Jessie, Mus. B. 1897. | |
| | Donelson, Mrs. Richard, | Wilkinsburg, Pa. |
| 46. | Jones, Elsie M. Ph. B. 1906. | |
| | Stokesberry, Mrs. Karl L. | Fairmount, W. Va. |
| 47. | Jahn, Nell D. | Homestead, Pa. |
| 48. | Kampman, Eva. | Wellsville, Ohio |
| 49. | Keith, Kathryn E. | E. Milner St., Alliance, Ohio |
| 50. | Kirlin, Beulah G. | |
| | Moore, Mrs. Homer, | Pembina, N. Dak. |
| 51. | Milbourn, Mary Gay, | S. Union Ave. Alliance, Ohio. |
| 52. | McLaughlin, Abbie M. | |
| | English, Mrs. John, | Barberton, Ohio |
| 53. | Matthias, Lulu, | |
| | Eldridge, Mrs. | ? |
| 54. | Matthias, Wilda, | Alliance, Ohio |
| 55. | Miller, Helen L. | 420 El Melino Ave., Pasadena, Calif. |
| 56. | Moore, Lillian | Martin's Ferry, Ohio |
| 57. | Lang, Pearl M. | Canton, Ohio |
| 58. | Montgomery, Ethel, | Alliance, Ohio |
| 59. | Motz, Pearl | |
| | Miller, Mrs. Arthur, | Alliance, Ohio |
| 60. | Needham, Hazel, | Atwater, Ohio |

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| 61. | Newhouse, Grace, L., A. B. 1901
Yaggi, Mrs. H. K. | Salem, Ohio |
| 62. | Porch, Daisy K., A. B. 1897, | Johnstown, Pa. |
| 63. | Porch, Fannie, A. B. 1897. | Kankakee, Ill. |
| 64. | Patton, Eloise
McKnight, Mrs. W. E. | Beaver, Pa. |
| 65. | Patton, Margaret, | S. Union Ave., Alliance, Ohio |
| 66. | Powell, Ada, | Alliance, Ohio |
| 67. | Roberts, Elsie A. Ph. B. 1905, | Damascus, Ohio |
| 68. | Robbins, Edna,
Shlitz, Mrs. W. D. | Akron, Ohio |
| 69. | Robbins, Ruby, | Chagrin Falls, Ohio |
| 70. | Robinson, Blanche,
Wilson, Mrs. F. | Akron, Ohio |
| 71. | Riker, Marie, | Moundsville, W. Va. |
| 72. | Ruth, Genevieve.
Bottomly, Mrs. Percy, | S. Freedom Ave., Alliance, Ohio |
| 73. | Strong, Lucille, Ph. B. 1908, | North Benton, Ohio |
| 74. | Strong, Vivian, | North Benton, Ohio |
| 75. | Shedd, Louise.
Roberts, Mrs. A. L. | Milwaukee, Wis. |
| 76. | Senour, Bessie. | ? |
| 77. | Saltsman, Nellie, | Carrollton, Ohio |
| 78. | Smith, Nellie,
Cannon, Mrs. John, | Cleveland, Ohio |
| 79. | Taylor, Mary,
Riker, Mrs. S. C. | Edinburg, Scotland |
| 80. | Taylor, Mable G., A. B. 1901, A. M. 1904.
Campbell, Mrs. A. R. | West Jordan, Utah |
| 81. | Wadsworth, Blanche M.
Morris, Mrs. A. W. | Alliance, Ohio |
| 82. | Wittich, Catherine.
Hill, Mrs. Glen. | Ashtabula, Ohio |
| 83. | Whitla, Edith.
Gow, Mrs. Fred C. | Alliance, Ohio |
| 84. | Whitla, Blanche L.
Shaw, Mrs. Frank, | Alliance, Ohio |
| 85. | Williams, Flossa | Burton, Ohio |
| 86. | Yost, Augusta | Hopedale, Ohio |

DELTA CHAPTER.

Established June 6, 1903.

Bethany College,

Bethany, W. Virginia.

1. *Curtis, Margaret.
Pierce, Mrs. W. E. Cameron, W. Va.
2. *White, Julia E., A. B. 1903. ?
3. *Stewart, Virginia, B. L. 1903.
Erskine, Mrs. W. H. Akita, Japan.
4. *Kemp, Anna Mary, A. B. 1906, M. B. 1906, M. M. 1907.
Mansfield, Ohio
5. *Saylor, Pearl, A. B. 1905.
Watson, Mrs. G. W. Lima, Ohio
6. *Carson, Elizabeth, B. L. 1906, R. F. D. 1, Speers, Pa.
7. *Scott, Muriel, B. L. 1905, Charleroi, Pa.
8. Roberts Emily, M. B. 1904 Carnegie, Pa.
9. Keith, Katharine. ?
10. Pritts, Emily.
Steed, Mrs. Hubert, Moundsville, W. Va.
11. Roberts, Nan Carnegie, Pa.
12. Sprauge, Bertha, M. M. 1904. ?
13. Orrison, Eunice, Ph. B. 1907. Morristown, Ohio.
14. Tinsley, Helen, Ph. B. 1907.
McMillin, Mrs. 9700 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, Ohio
15. Hoffman, Mayme, Norwood, Ohio
16. Blair, Ellen Alba, Pa.
17. Marshall, Helen, Ph. B. 1909. 29 Warren St., Crafton, Pa.
18. Justice, Edith, B. M. 1906. Cleveland, Ohio
19. Hudson, Mavis, 411 Cascadilla St., Ithaca, N. Y.
20. O'Bannon, Roberta Stanford, Ky.
21. Kleeberger, Bertha, Ph. B. 1907 Painesville, Ohio
22. Williams, Julia Belmont, Ohio.
23. Osborne, Bess Spokane, Wash.
24. Madden, May, A. B. 1906. Hebron, Ohio
25. Bishoff, Effie, Ph. B. 1907. Swissvale, Pa.
26. Smith, Anna, Ph. B. 1909. Wilmington, Ohio
27. Smith, Jessie, Ph. B. 1909. Wilmington, Ohio
28. Mercer, Mabel, A. B. 1909. Rudolph, Ohio
29. Fetty, Catherine, Ph. B. 1908. Hagans, W. Va.
30. Gatts, Elizabeth, Woodlands, W. Va.
31. Gray, Mary, Ph. B. 1909. Crafton, Pa.
32. Cornett, Mary Gentry, New Martinsville, W. Va.
33. Madden, Letha Hebron, Ohio
34. Houston, Dollye, Moundsville, W. Va.
35. Lewis, Mary Bethany, W. Va.

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| 36. | Mercer, Edith | Rudolph, Ohio |
| 37. | McCammon, Ruth | West Liberty, W. Va. |
| 38. | Mercer, Ina | Rudolph, Ohio |
| 39. | Stevenson, Alice, M. B. 1909, M. M. 1909. | 37 Highland Ave.,
Columbus, Ohio |
| 40. | Stewart, Mildred, | Sweetwater, Ill. |
| 41. | Mercer, Hazel | Rudolph, Ohio |
| 42. | Hanna, Fern | Millersburg, Ohio |
| 43. | Hanna, Hazel, | Millersburg, Ohio |
| 44. | Sinville, Florence | Claysville, Pa. |
| 45. | Greer, Juanita, | Sikeston Mo. |
| 46. | Bachell, Garda, | Bethany, W. Va. |
| 47. | Griffith, Effie, B. S. 1909 | Claysville, Pa. |
| 48. | Mercer, Verna | Rudolph, Ohio |

EPSILON CHAPTER.

Established June 10, 1903.

University of South Dakota, Vermillion, South Dakota.

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| 1. | *Richardson, Mabel K., A. B. 1902, B. L. S. 1906, | University of
Illinois. | Vermillion, S. D. |
| 2. | *Salmer, Clara, A. B. 1903. | | Vermillion, S. D. |
| 3. | *Hanson, Josephine, A. B. 1903. | | |
| | Hedeen, Mrs. Joel. | 1301 Douglas St., | Sioux City, Iowa |
| 4. | *Richardson, Ethel, A. B. 1904. | | |
| | Stillwell, Mrs. Elmer W. | 2255 West 28th St., | Los Angeles, Cal. |
| 5. | *Grange, F. Lorena, A. B. 1904. | | |
| | Sweet, Mrs. Oliver E. | | Rapid City S. D. |
| 6. | *Jones, Zola, A. B. 1905. | | Faulkton, S. D. |
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| 12. | Brenne, Alice, A. B. 1906. | | Chamberlin, S. D. |
| 13. | Averkieff, Olga A., A. B. 1906 M. D. 1907, | | Saratov, Russia |
| 14. | Hanson, Georgiana, | | Vermillion, S. D. |
| 15. | Ochsner, Genevieve. | | |
| | Griswold, Mrs. Fred. | | Kimball, S. D. |
| 16. | Tarbell, Lilla M., A. B. 1908. | | Watertown, S. D. |
| 17. | Breeden, Marjorie, LL. B. 1907. | | Pierre, S. D. |
| 18. | Gabel, Edna | | |
| | Lister, Mrs. Jesse A. | | Wamega, Kan. |
| 19. | Nichols, Mary A. | | Vermillion, S. D. |
| 20. | Miller, Margaret B., A. B. 1908. | | Vermillion, S. D. |

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21.	Sweet, Julia May.	Vermillion, S. D.
22.	Camerer, Lucile, A. B. 1909.	Vermillion, S. D.
23.	Greene, Mabel F.	Unadilla, N. Y.
24.	Tarbell, Helen, A. B. 1908.	Watertown, S. D.
25.	Hill, Helen Hunt.	Springfield, S. D.
26.	Miller, Helen Burrell,	Vermillion, S. D.
27.	Frazee, Helen M., Mus. B. 1909.	Seattle, Wash.
28.	Small, Bertha:	Manchester, Ill.
29.	Johnson, Esther A.	Vermillion, S. D.
30.	Sanborn, Grace Helen, A. B. 1904, A. M. 1908.,	Clear Lake, S. D.
31.	Sewall, Sarah B.	Britton, S. D.
32.	Williams Marlon,	Clear Lake, S. D.
33.	Nichols, Lois, Mus. B. 1909.	Vermillion, S. D.
34.	Eastman, Mabelle May,	LeMars, Iowa
35.	Wallace, Nina M.	
	Jassmann, Mrs. Robert.	Scotland, S. D.
36.	Sale, E. Pearl,	White Lake, S. D.
37.	Sanborn, Ethel, A. B. 1904, A. M. 1906.	Ely, Minn.
38.	Ellis Lillian J.	Elk Point, S. D.
39.	Sheldon, Margherita,	Sioux Falls, S. D.
40.	Richardson, Bertha Kingsley,	Vermillion, S. D.
41.	Slocum, Deborah	Alcester, S. D.
42.	Marquis, Francis E.	Clear Lake, S. D.
43.	Marquis, Violet	Clear Lake, S. D.
44.	Williams, Florence,	Clear Lake, S. D.
45.	Parmley, Belle,	Sioux Falls, S. D.

ZETA CHAPTER.

Established. May 10, 1904.

Wittenberg College,

Springfield, Ohio.

1.	*Bracher, Mabel, A. B. 1906.	Bucyrus, Ohio
2.	*Winn, Mabel	Defiance, Ohio
3.	*Wildasin, Myrtle, A. B. 1905.	Springfield, Ohio
4.	*Hubbell, Mary, A. B. 1907.	North Baltimore, Ohio
5.	*Miller, Anna, A. B. 1905.	Mansfield, Ohio
6.	!*Smelz, Lillian	
7.	!*Houck, Elizabeth.	
8.	Fidler, May.	Mansfield, Ohio
9.	Dornblaser, Clara,	Springfield, Ohio
10.	Steck, Jeanette, A. B. 1905	Care of Masonic Home, Utica, N. Y.
11.	Smith, Marjorie,	Brookville, Ohio
12.	Bushy, Maude.	
	Ruckman, Mrs. N. N.	Mt. Gilead, Ohio
13.	Swartout, Ella	Van Wert, Ohio.

14.	Schwarm, Clara,	Wheeling, W. Va.
15.	Wright, Hazel	Springfield, Ohio
16.	Smith, Edith,	Springfield, Ohio
17.	Fidler, Edna,	Mansfield, Ohio
18.	Dornblaser, Helen,	Bucyrus, Ohio
19.	Condit, Leta,	
	Miller, Mrs. L. O.	Rantoul, Ill.
20.	Seybold, Lillian	Springfield, Ohio
21.	Miller, Lois,	Louisville, Ky.
22.	Collier, Ruth,	Springfield, Ohio
23.	Wright, Willard,	Springfield, Ohio
24.	Fornshell, Margaret,	Miamessburg, Ohio
25.	Sudhoff, Elizabeth	Richmond, Ind.
26.	Miller, Hortense,	Mansfield, Ohio
27.	Garver, Eva,	Rockford, Ill.
28.	Keller, Gertrude,	Bellefontain, Ohio
30.	Greenawalt, Catherine,	Springfield, Ohio
31.	Schuhardt, Bertha	Findlay, Ohio
32.	Lowry, Martha,	Snyderderville, Ohio
33.	Geyer, Hortense,	Springfield, Ohio
34.	Woliston, Eliza,	Springfield, Ohio

ETA CHAPTER.

Established May 28, 1904.

Syracuse University,		Syracuse, New York.
1.	*Cleveland, Bertha G. A. B. 1905,	Naples, N. Y.
2.	*Dowland, Lella S., A. B. 1905,	
	Davis, Mrs. Walter,	Chester, N. Y.
3.	*Weller, Laura Gardiner, Ph. B. 1905.	Morris Heights Inn.
		Morrisville, Pa.
4.	*Tobin, Theresa Katherine, Ph. B. 1905,	117 College Place,
		Syracuse, N. Y.
5.	*Tobin, Helen Hyde,	117 College Place, Syracuse, N. Y.
6.	*Fox, Grace Mae, A. B. 1906,	Wolcott, N. Y.
7.	*Britton, Nettie May, Ph. B. 1907,	Onondaga Hill N. Y.
8.	*Loetzer, Elizabeth Margaret, Ph. B. 1906.	507 S. Elmer Ave.,
		Sayre, Pa.
9.	*Baker, Dora Artemisia, Ph B. 1907,	Gravity, Pa.
10.	*Lockwood, Dora Genevieve, A. B. 1906,	Olean, N. Y.
11.	*Hutchings, Martha, Ph. B. 1907.	
	McKean, Mrs. S. R.	Newberry, Pa.
12.	Baldwin, Lena Grandin, A. B. 1906.	670 Euclid Ave., Elmira, N. Y.
13.	Weller, Emma Louise,	Dobbs Ferry, N. Y.
14.	McCormack, Ruth Helen,	Windsor, Vt.

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15. Pressia, Nellie Elva, Albion, N. Y.
16. Chadbourne, Belle A., Ph. B. 1908. 1640 W. Genesee St.,
Syracuse, N. Y.
17. Crammond, Lena Louise.
Dunham, Mrs. J. H. Cincinnati, Ohio
18. Elliott, Eva Mae, Ph. B. 1908. East Hampton, N. Y.
19. Couch, Susie Willabell.
Hastings, Mrs. George, 108 N. Sidney Ave., Mt. Vernon, N. Y.
20. Hoard, Marguerite Ann, Ph. B. 1908.
Garrett, Mrs. Byron H. East Syracuse, N. Y.
21. Wright, Gertrude Evelyn, Ph. B. 1906.
Gilmour, Mrs. J. E. 154 Elm St., Bradford, Pa.
22. Putnam, Ida Elaine, A. B. 1908. 202 E. Colvin St., Syracuse, N. Y.
23. Warne, Edith M., Mayat Bagh, Lucknow, India.
24. Algie, Hazel Elizabeth.
Bailey, Mrs. Loren, 33 Franklin St., Ogdensburg, N. Y.
25. Brush, Hazel Mae, B. L. 1909 Moira, N. Y.
26. Myers, Laura Naomi.
Davenport, Mrs. S. A. 50 Jeanette St., Plymouth, Pa.
27. White, Sarah Frances, 34 Vernon St., Springfield, Mass.
28. Myers, Miranda Steele, Ph. B. 1909. Falls City, Neb.
29. Parker, Alice Belle, B. S. 1909, Illion, N. Y.
30. Eysaman, Lelia Marlon, Ph. B. 1909. Heuvelton, N. Y.
31. Chase, Helen Frances, Mus. B. 1909, 11 W. 106th St., New York, N.Y.
32. Curtis, Mary Helen, Ph. B. 1909, Fabius, N. Y.
33. Thompson, Katherine Yard, Ph. B. 1909, 1666 77th St.
Brooklyn, N. Y.
34. Graham, Lucy, J., Ashley, Pa.
35. Curtis, Florence M., Watertown, N. Y.
36. Ensign, Corrinne Newman, Stanley, N. Y.
37. Patterson, Ethel Lucille, Fulton, N. Y.
38. Truair, Helen Louise, 414 Irving Ave., Syracuse, N. Y.
39. Holt, Inez A., Norwood, N. Y.
40. Lawrence, Mary Edith, Shortsville, N. Y.
41. Thornton, Mary Lucille, 88 Platt St., Hornell, N. Y.
42. Chamberlayne, Margaret,
Alderman, Mrs. William H. 90 Lyceum St., Geneva, N. Y.
43. Horton, Cecil M.,
Austin, Mrs. Clymer, 505 Bellevue Ave., Syracuse, N. Y.
44. Tobin, Laura Lyon, 117 College Pl., Syracuse, N. Y.
45. Carling Ethel, 167 W. Washington Ave., Washington, N. Y.
46. Bothwell, Phebe Theodora, Troy, Pa.
47. Rosa, Helen Laura, 180 Scott Ave., Wellsville, N. Y.
48. Slayton, Hazel Lrene, Naples, N. Y.
49. Dumm, Mabel Puella, Mackeyville, Pa.

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| 50. | Green, Marion Lenore, | Copenhagen, N. Y. |
| 51. | Roth, Anna Elizabeth Ph. B. 1909, | Dolgeville, N. Y. |
| 52. | Tucker, Elizabeth Emma, | 747 S. Crouse, Ave., Syracuse, N. Y. |
| 53. | Long, Florence Evangeline, | Flemington, Pa. |
| 54. | Overton, Ellen M., | Belleville, N. Y. |
| 55. | Harris, Katherine Louise, | Cato, N. Y. |
| 56. | Baldwin, Ethel, | 670 Euclid Ave., Elmira, N. Y. |
| 57. | Chadbourn, Evangeline, | 1640 W. Genesee St., Syracuse, N. Y. |
| 58. | Leonard, Louise Eliza, | Troy, Pa. |
| 59. | Leonard, Lisle Aline, | Troy, Pa. |
| 60. | Denton, Ruhama Pearl, | Silver Springs, N. Y. |
| 61. | Skeel, Florence Maye, | Fulton, N. Y. |
| 62. | Sleight, Esther Evelyn, | 227 S. 3rd Ave., Mount Vernon, N. Y. |

THETA CHAPTER.

Established January 16, 1905.

University of Wisconsin,

Madison, Wisconsin.

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| 1 | *Lorch, Augusta Christine, A. B. 1905. | Madison, Wis. |
| 2. | *Angell, Nellie Nadine, A. B. 1907. | Sun Prairie, Wis. |
| 3. | *Allen, Iva Clair, A. B. 1905, | 1004 14th St., Milwaukee, Wis. |
| 4. | *Runge, Alma Matilda, A. B. 1906, | 310 N. Murray St., Madison, Wis. |
| 5. | *Lyon, Ruth Erma, A. L. 1906, | Care Y. W. C. A., Lansing, Mich. |
| 6. | *Cook, Nettle May, A. B. 1904, | 528 Raymond St., Elgin, Ill. |
| 7. | *Rhoades, Ellen May A. B. 1905, | Fox Lake, Wis. |
| 8. | *Runge, Lulu Lillian, A. B. 1905. | 310 N. Murray St., Madison, Wis. |
| 9. | *Underwood, Bessie C. | ? |
| 10. | *McRae, Mary Ethel. | Rhineland, Wis. |
| 11. | *Mason, Ora Lottie, A. B. 1906 | |
| | Moles, Mrs. Edward S. | 5904 Ohio St., Austin, Chicago, Ill. |
| 12. | *Davis, Bertha Ellenor, A. B. 1906. | 1702 Madison St., Madison, Wis. |
| 13. | *Olin, Mary E. | Belleville, Ohio |
| 14. | *Cook, Eudora Idahlia, 1905 | 528 Raymond St., Elgin, Ill. |
| 15. | *Adams, Bessie E., A. B. 1906. | 214 W. Mifflin St., Madison, Wis. |
| 16. | Koch, Edna May, A. B. 1906, | Fairdale, Ill. |
| 17. | Ruth Una Gertrade. | ? |
| 18. | Whittemore, Ruth | ? |
| 19. | Mabbett, Jessie M. | Edgerton, Wis. |
| 20. | Chave, Georgie Elizabeth, A. B. 1907. | Tomahawk, Wis. |
| 21. | Pettigrew, Bessie, A. B. 1906, | 203 Prairie Ave., Sioux Falls, S. D. |
| 22. | Strong, Marion Ruth, | Lake Mills, Wis. |
| 23. | Henderson, Leonora Louise, Ph. B. 1906. | Cambridge, Wis. |
| 24. | Fenton, Ida, A. B. 1909 | 401 Murray St., Madison, Wis. |
| 25. | Ekern, Ruth Nathalla, A. B. 1907, | 310 Murray St., Madison, Wis. |
| 26. | Fenton, Polly, A. B. 1906, | 401 Murray St., Madison, Wis. |

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| 27. | Fenton, Theo. | 401 Murray St., Madison, Wis. |
| 28. | Rayne, Mary Elizabeth, A. B. 1909, | 653 E. Gorham St., Madison, Wis. |
| 29. | Ryan, Winefred M. E., Mus. B. 1909. | 511 Grant St., Wausaw, Wis. |
| 30. | Ryan, Marion Eva, A. B. 1906. | 511 Grant St., Wausaw, Wis. |
| 31. | Ravn, Agnes, A. B. 1906, | Merrill, Wis. |
| 32. | Flower, Gretchen Leanore, | River Falls, Wis. |
| 33. | Simon, Florence Ann, A. B. 1908, | 127 S. 11th St., LaCrosse, Wis. |
| 34. | Olin, Edna Jane, | 227 E. Monroe St., Princeton, Wis. |
| 35. | Hoegh, Nanna Marie, A. B. 1909, | Spring Grove, Minn. |
| 36. | Davis, Helen Emma, | 1702 Madison St., Madison, Wis. |
| 37. | Ravn, Signe, | Merrill, Wis. |
| 38. | Gardiner, Charlotte Georgia, A. B. 1909, | 809 W. Dayton St.
Madison, Wis. |
| 39. | Erb, Louise Ernestine, A. B. 1908, | Appleton, Wis. |
| 40. | Albers, Frances Clark, A. B. 1909, | 501 LaSalle Terrace,
Wausaw, Wis. |
| 41. | Erb, Elizabeth Adele S., A. B. 1907, | Appleton, Wis. |
| 42. | McRae, Florence Edna, | Rhineland, Wis. |
| 43. | Reardon, Una Lee, | Rhineland, Wis. |
| 44. | Andrus, Calla Adelaide, | 127 W. Gilman St., Madison, Wis. |
| 45. | Tucker, Elizabeth, | Kewanee, Ill. |
| 46. | Schuster, Edith Emma | 401 Murray St., Madison, Wis. |
| 47. | Potts, Jennie Elizabeth, | Waupaca, Wis. |
| 48. | Vall, Leora, | Benton, Wis. |
| 49. | Chave, Ella Bean, | Tomahawk, Wis. |
| 50. | Davis, Agnes Hopkins, | 1702 Madison St., Madison, Wis. |
| 51. | Blanchard, Pearl E. | Colby, Wis. |
| 52. | Kuhns, Clarissa, | 117 E. Gorham St., Madison, Wis. |
| 53. | Vaas, Marie, | 151 N. Butler St., Madison, Wis. |
| 54. | Potts, Marion, | Appleton, Wis. |

IOTA CHAPTER.

Established May 8, 1905.

West Virginia University, Morgantown, West Virginia.

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| 1. | *Courtney, Crystal, | 723 N. Front St., Morgantown, W. Va. |
| 2. | *Smith, Lillian Ballard, | 205 Gordon St., Morgantown, W. Va. |
| 3. | *Green, Ethel Averil, A. B. 1908. | 246 Fife Ave., Morgantown, W. Va. |
| 4. | *Cooper, Mary Hannah, A. B. 1908. | Crossville, Tenn. |
| 5. | *Sadler, Elizabeth J. | Point Marion, Pa. |
| 6. | *Smith, Bertha Jane, | 311 S. Wells St., Sistersville, W. Va. |
| 7. | *Johnson, Drusilla V. P., A. M. 1902. | |
| | Quick, Mrs. Errett Burgess, | Dravosburg, Pa. |
| 8. | Atkeson, Mary Meek, | 234 Prospect St., Morgantown, W. Va. |
| 9. | Weaver, Mabel Jane, A. B. 1908. | N. Spruce St., Morgantown, W. Va. |

10. **Smith, Helen Barrett.**
Smith, Mrs. Carl Harrison, 205 Gordon St., Morgantown, W. Va.
11. **Johnson, Lydia Lucille,** Cadiz, Ohio
12. **Coplin, Nancy,** Boothsville, W. Va.
13. **Menefee, Columbia.**
Bernhardt, Mrs. ?
14. **Fravel, Mary Stewart,** Poca, W. Va.
15. **Atkeson, Leda Cordelia,** 234 Prospect St., Morgantown, W. Va.
16. **Watkins, Mabelle Ray,** 720 Maple Ave., Grafton, W. Va.
17. **Watkins, Blanche E.,** 720 Maple Ave., Grafton, W. Va.
18. **Jackson, Cora Edna,** Ronceverte W. Va.
19. **Chadwick, Mary Frances,** High St., Morgantown, W. Va.
20. **Smith, Leola May,** Morgantown, W. Va.
21. **Crimm, Ethel,**
Peterson, Mrs. Verd, Prospect St., Morgantown, W. Va.
22. **Moon, Ada,** 23 Cobun Ave., Morgantown, W. Va.

KAPPA CHAPTER.

Founded December 15, 1905.

University of Illinois,

Champaign, Ill.

1. *Abbott, Elizabeth M., 325 Market St., Hooperton, Ill.
2. *Bell, Marlon C., LL. B. 1905. 919 C. Street, Lincoln, Neb.
3. *Blake, Katherine M., A. B. '09. Watseka, Ill.
4. *Branch, Nellie, A. B. '07. 610 S. State St., Champaign, Ill
5. *Campbell, Winifred T., E. Main St., Albion, Ill.
6. *DeWitt, Louise E., A. B. '06. La Grange, Ill
7. *Fargo, Martha P., Ll. S. '06. Lake Mills, Wis.
8. *Llewellyn, Clarine, A. B. 1906. 324 6th St., La Grange, Ill.
9. *Retz, Rosalie M., A. B. '09. 1625 East St., Ottawa, Ill.
10. *Shannon, Agnes M. A. B. '08. 73 Douglas Ave., Freeport, Ill.
11. *Woods, Iris L., N. Springfield Ave., Urbana, Ill.
12. *Yale, Louise P. Chardon, Ohio
13. Spencer, F. Grace M. A. '09. 1811 S. 3rd St., Terre Haute, Ind.
14. Barrett, Anita S., Butler, Ill.
15. Coker, Myrtle R., A. B. 1909. 208 Walnut St., Harrisburg, Ill.
16. Gentsch, Wilhemina, A. B. '07. 164 East Ave., New Philadelphia, O.
17. Rule, Carrie L., 416 26th St., Cairo, Ill
18. Ruskamp, Josephine A., 1013 Ohio Ave., Quincy, Ill.
19. Schwartz, Mary K., A. B. '07. 801 S. Vine St., Urbana, Ill.
20. Retz Louis J. 1625 East St., Ottawa, Ill.
21. Kays, Lucille E., A. B. '09. 510 N. 6th St., Phoenix, Arizona
22. Nelson, Sadie, Princeton, Ill.
23. Patrick, Elizabeth L. 229 E. Wesley St., Wheaton, Ill.
24. Strawn, Evelyn, Albion, Ill.

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| 25. | Mangold, Jane Thomas, A. B. '08. | Davis City, Neb. |
| 26. | Bickel, Mary A., A. B. '07. | Henry St., Geneseo, Ill. |
| 27. | Willard, Maude H., | 521 N. State St., Belvidere, Ill. |
| 28. | Melrose, Mary H., | Grayville, Ill. |
| 29. | Edbrooke, Gertrude E. | 121 S. 64th St., Oak Park, Ill. |
| 30. | Hunt, Edenia, | 614 Wilson Ave., Menomonie, Wis. |
| 31. | Case, Lura M. | Alba, Ill. |
| 32. | Gentsch, Vida E., A. B. '08. | 164 East Ave., New Philadelphia, O. |
| 33. | Retz, Jeanette E., | 1625 East St., Ottawa, Ill. |
| 34. | Martin, Maysie.
Mrs. Richmann, | Villa Grove, Ill. |
| 35. | Bredehoft, Mabel, A. B. '09. | 309 Walnut St., Danville, Ill. |
| 36. | Bass, Florence, E., | 103 E. North St., Princeton, Ill. |
| 37. | Goodman, Byne F. | 728 W. Hill St., Champaign, Ill. |
| 38. | McMackin, Gertrude, | Roanoke, Ill. |
| 39. | Dedrick, Eva A., | Mechanic St., Geneseo, Ill. |
| 40. | Jenner, Louise M., | 1208 Upper 8th St., Evansville, Ind. |
| 41. | English, Eula M., A. B. | 909 W. Taylor St., Bloomington, Ill. |
| 42. | English, Inez J., M. A. '09 | 909 W. Taylor St., Bloomington, Ill. |
| 43. | Parrett, Florence M., | Homer, Ill. |
| 44. | Whitaker, Ruth L., | 343 41st St., Chicago, Ill. |
| 45. | Campbell, Jessie, | Coal City, Ill. |
| 46. | Branch Emly I., | 610 S. State St., Champaign, Ill. |

LAMBDA CHAPTER.

Established March 8, 1907.

Tufts College,

Boston, Massachusetts.

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| 1. | *Crawford, Irene May, A. B. 1907. | North Dana, Mass. |
| 2. | *Douglas, Maud Geraldine, A. B. 1907 | Hull, Mass. |
| 3. | *Hannah, Persis D. | 53 Oakland St., Medford, Mass. |
| 4. | *Orne Marion Frances, A. B. 1907. | 43 Fairmont Ave., W. Somerville,
[Mass.] |
| 5. | *Carleton, Miriam Stanley, A. B. 1907. | 16 Ocean St., Lynn, Mass. |
| 6. | *Cate, Emily Morgan, A. B. 1908. | 205 Lowell St., Waltham, Mass. |
| 7. | *Fuller, Ethel Luella, A. B. 1908. | 63 College St., Everett, Mass. |
| 8. | *Ladd, Eleanor. | 66 High St., Medford, Mass. |
| 9. | *McFarland, Beatrice May, A. B. 1908. | 21 Cedar St., Somerville,
Mass. |
| 10. | *Richards, Amy Viola, A. B. 1908. | 101 Lewis St., Lynn, Mass. |
| 11. | *Aiken, Ethel May, A. B. 1909. | 96 Clark St., Everett, Mass. |
| 12. | *Johnson, Gertrude Christine. | 9 Myrtle St., South Manchester, Conn. |
| 13. | *Kimball, Nellie Lodena. | Elmhurst Road, Newton, Mass. |
| 14. | *McCoy, Annie Rebecca, A. B. 1909. | 62 Main St., Somerville, Mass. |

15. *Nash, Beth Hazel, A. B. 1909, Leland Stanford University.
1748 West 24th St., Los Angeles, Calif.
16. *Burnham, Helen Stanley. West Newbury, Mass.
17. *Butterfield, Estella Elizabeth. Jacksonville, Vt.
18. *Aagin, Katherine Fairchild. Bedford, Mass.
19. *Smith, Ada Louise. Franklin, Mass.
29. *Wood, Effie Marie. Mattapolsett, Mass.
21. Gardner, Lucie Marion, A. B. 1907. 4 Lynde St., Salem, Mass.
22. Carleton, Grace W., A. B. 1899.
Mansfield, Mrs. Hubbard B. 9 Adams St., Wakefield, Mass.
23. Abbe, Lena Pease, A. B. 1901. 984 Liberty St., Springfield, Mass.
24. MacQuinn, Marion P., A. B. 1901.
Thomas, Mrs. 4545 Washburn Ave., South Minneapolis,
Minn.
25. Reed, Ethel Gardner, A. B. 1901. Orange, Mass.
26. Tuttle, Florence R., A. B. 1901. 38 Buffum St., Salem, Mass.
27. Burkett, Helen
Richardson, Mrs. Herbert, 31 Columbus Ave., Somerville, Mass.
28. Johnson, Edna H., A. B. 1902.
Austin, Mrs. William, 9 Florence Ave., Bellevue, Pa.
29. McCoy, Agnes Irene, A. B. 1902. 62 Main St., Somerville, Mass.
30. Hoyt, Anadine,
Fernald, Mrs. Horace W. Cabot St., Newtonville, Mass.
31. Gibbs, Julia F., A. B. 1903.
Adams, Mrs. G. Harold, 22 Summer St., Waltham, Mass.
32. Ryan, Olive Katherine, A. B. 1903. 274 School St., Waltham, Mass.
33. Hall, Mabel Emille, 9 Veajle St., Somerville, Mass.
34. Clark, Georgiana Marie, A. B. 1904. 60 Central St., Somerville, Mass.
35. Countway Gussanda, A. B. 1904. 28 Robinson St., Somerville, Mass.
36. Crowell Mertie, A. B. 1904.
Saunders, Mrs. Albert, 12 Fowler St., Dorchester, Mass.
37. Harmon Betsy Baker.
Lowe, Mrs. George. 11 Whitfield Road, W. Somerville, Mass.
38. Cummings, Alice Josephine, A. B. 1904. Vassar College, 209 Maine
[St., Medford, Mass.
39. Bartlett, Daisy Mae. 47 Madison St., Somerville, Mass.
40. Watkins, Hazel Loraine, South Manchester, Conn.
41. Bowker, Ella Wallace, A. B. 1905. 2 Hillside Ave., Somerville, Mass.
42. Garton, Florence Harriet, A. B. 1905.
Needham, Mrs. Brandon, Vt.
43. McCoy, Florence Lydia, A. B. 1905. 62 Main St., Somerville, Mass.
44. Marshall, Wilnah Virginia, A. B. 1905. New Salem, Mass.
- Toy, Mrs. Harry M. Alameda, Calif.
45. Buzzell, Ada.
Macomber, Mrs. E. L., Central Village, Westpoint, Mass.

46. **Watkins, Laura Clarinda,** South Manchester, Conn.
 47. **Comstock, Bertha.**
 Toy, Mrs. Harry. Alameda, Calif.
 48. **Clement, Fannie May A. B. 1906.** 141 Buckman St., Everett, Mass.
 49. **Edwards, Alice Haywood, A. B. 1906.** Start House, Tufts College,
 [Boston, Mass.
 50. **Johnson, Phoebe Chandler, A. B. 1906.** Spencer, Mass.
 51. **Nye, Laila Campbell, A. B. 1906.** 33 Electric Ave., West Somerville,
 [Mass.
 52. **Sibley, Ruth Annie, A. B. 1906.** 39 Highland Ave., Cambridge, Mass.
 53. **Johnson, Dora Lucille, A. B. 1906,** Smith College Uxbridge, Mass.
 54. **Chandler, Elsie May,** 46 Andover St., Peabody, Mass.
 55. **Killpatrick, Myrtle Mevis, A. B. 1909.** 609 Stephens St., Lowell,
 [Mass.
 56. **Duffey, Audrey Lovejoy,** 24 Central Ave., Medford, Mass.
 57. **Shepard, Bertha Maria.** Everett, Mass.
 58. **Knight, Sue Levina,** Westmoreland, N. H.
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| 4. *Gordinier, Fannie, B. A. 1908. | Caledonia, Minn. |
| 5. *Halvorson, Ella J., B. A. 1908. | Dawson, Minn. |
| 6. *Halvorson, Olga | Dawson, Minn. |
| 7. *Halvorson, Cora. | Dawson, Minn. |
| 8. *Hendrickson, Dolly, | Benson, Minn. |
| 9. *Hitchings, Vin, B. A. 1908. | Sutherland, Iowa |
| 10. *Helson, Mary, B. A. 1907. | 1924 Iglehart, St. Paul, Minn. |
| 11. *Jones, Myrtle, B. A. 1907. | 414 East 14th St., Minneapolis, Minn. |
| 12. *Jones, Florence, B. A. 1908. | Gaylord, Minn. |
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| 15. *Schaetzel, Mina, B. A. 1908. | |
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| 16. *Schriber, Alice, B. A. 1909. | 520 Marshall, St. Paul, Minn. |
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| 2. | *Hetschel, Mary, B. S. 1909. | 2327 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, Cal. |
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| 4. | *Carpenter, Bernice, B. L. 1908, M. L. 1909. | Sacramento, Cal. |
| 5. | *Grey, Edith, B. A. 1908. | 2607 Grant St., Berkeley, Cal. |
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 Lockridge, Mary, Xi 5.
 Loetzer, Elizabeth Margaret, Eta 8.
 Logan, Mrs. Sam, Alpha 64.
 Long, Florence Evangeline, Eta 53.
 Lorch, Augusta, Christine, Theta 1.
 Lorton, Mrs. J. B., Alpha 22.
 Low, Janet, Alpha 38.
 Lowe, Mrs. George, Lambda 37.
 Lowry, Martha, Zeta 32.
 Lucks, Florence, Nu 19.
 Lute, Axle E., Beta 8.
 Lynch, Mrs. John, Nu 23.
 Lyon, Ruth Emma, Theta 5.

M

Mabbett, Jessie M., Theta 19.
 Macomber, Mrs. E. L. Lambda 45.
 MacQuinn, Marion P., Lambda 24.
 Madden, May, Delta 24.
 Madden, Letha, Delta 33.
 Maiken, Maud, Beta 15.
 Maiken, Mrs. Frank, Beta 10.
 Mangold, Jane Thomas, Kappa 25.
 Mansfield, Mrs. Hubbard B., Lambda 22.
 Marriot, Jennie, Alpha 34.
 Marshall, Wilma Virginia, Lambda 44.
 Marshall, Helen, Delta 17.
 Martin, Maysie, Kappa 34.
 Marquis, Frances E. Epsilon 42.
 Marquis, Violet, Epsilon 43.
 Mason, Dorothy, Nu 20.
 Mason, Ora Lottie, Theta 11.

- Matthews, Peryl, Beta 48.
 Mattice, Cornelia, Nu 36.
 Matthias, Lulu, Gamma 53.
 Matthias, Wilda, Gamma 54.
 Matson, Clara Christine Alpha 51.
 McCachran, Ruth, Alpha 59.
 McCall, Inez, Omicron 3.
 McCall, Lorena, Omicron 19.
 McCammon, Ruth, Delta 37.
 McCallum, Harriet, Alpha 5.
 McCoy, Annie Rebecca, Lambda 14.
 McCoy, Agnes, Irene, Lambda 29.
 McCoy, Florence Lydia, Lambda 43.
 McCoy, Mrs. Roy, Gamma 10.
 Mc Cullough, Mrs. J. B., Beta 29.
 Mac Dermott, Leila, Mu 26.
 McDonald, Edna Madison, Alpha 18.
 McFarland, Beatrice May Lambda 9.
 McKean, Mrs. S. R. Eta 11.
 McKnight, Mrs. W. E., Gamma 64.
 McLaughlin, Abbie M., Gamma 52.
 McLachlan, Mae, Nu 18.
 McLeod, Valdora, Mu 14.
 McMillin, Mrs. Delta 14.
 McMackin, Gertrude, Kappa 38.
 McNamee, Ruth, Mu 24.
 McNamara, Rosalia, Nu 23.
 McRae, Mary Ethel, Theta 10.
 McRae, Florence Edna, Theta 42.
 Melbourne, Mary Gay, Gamma 51.
 Mercer, Mabel, Delta 28.
 Mercer, Edith, Delta 36.
 Mercer, Ina, Delta 38.
 Mercer, Hazel, Delta 41.
 Mercer, Verna, Delta 48.
 Melony, Alice, Mu 20.
 Mershon, Mrs. Herbert C., Beta 38.
 Melrose, Mary H., Kappa 28.
 Menefee, Columbia, Iota 13.
 Miles, Helen, Alpha 37.
 Miller, Edith Louise, Alpha 40.
 Miller, Margaret B., Epsilon 20.
 Miller, Hellen Burell, Epsilon 26.
 Miller, Anna, Zeta 5.
 Miller, Mrs. L. O., Zeta 19.
 Miller, Lois, Zeta 21.
 Miller, Hortense, Zeta 26.
 Miller, Mrs. Arthur, Gamma 59.
 Miller, Helen L., Gamma 55.
 Mills, Mabel, Alpha 52.
 Millspaugh, Ethel, Beta 46.
 Mineer, Mrs. Bruce, Beta 22.
 Mitchell, Mrs. Will, Beta 8.
 Moles, Mrs. Edward S., Theta 11.
 Morgenson, Mrs. H. L. Beta 26.
 Montgomery, Ethel, Gamma 58.
 Moon, Ada, Iota 22.
 Moore, Mrs., Alpha 41.
 Moore, Mrs. Homer, Gamma 50.
 Moore, Lillian, Gamma 56.
 Morris, Mrs. A. W., Gamma 81.
 Motz, Pearl, Gamma 59.
 Mueller, Olive, Nu 11.
 Mumaw, Mrs. Walker, Gamma 2.
 Mumaw, Mrs. W. C., Gamma 23.
 Murchison, Alice, Nu 17.
 Musgrave, Estella, Alpha 47.
 Myers, Mrs. W. E., Gamma 12.
 Myers, Laura Naomi, Eta 26.
 Myers Miranda Steele, Eta 28.
- N**
- Nash, Beth Hazel, Lambda 15.
 Needham, Mrs., Lambda 42.
 Needham, Hazel, Gamma 60.
 Nelson, Saldee, Kappa 22.
 Newhouse, Grace L., Gamma 61.
 Nichols, Mary A., Epsilon 19.
 Nichols Lois, Epsilon 33.
 Noble, Mrs., Alpha 17.
 Nunnelly, Eva, Xi 2.
 Nye, Laila Campbell, Lambda 51.
- O**
- O'Bannon, Roberta, Delta 20.
 Ochsner, Genevieve, Epsilon 15.
 Oesch, Mrs. Sumner, Gamma 1.

Oldfield, Maud Olivia, Alpha 56.
 Oleen, Evelyn, Alpha 62.
 Olin, Mary E., Theta 13.
 Olin, Edna Jane, Theta 34.
 Olsen, Phoebe Mathea, Mu 25.
 Orne, Marion Frances, Lambda 4.
 Orrison, Eunice, Delta 13.
 Osborne, Bess, Delta 23.
 Overton, Ellen M., Eta 54.

P

Page, Mrs. Elle, Alpha 38.
 Parker, Alice Bell, Eta 29.
 Parker, Ella M., Beta 1.
 Parker, Lela, Nu 15.
 Parks, Meta, Omicron 18.
 Parr, Myrtle, Nu 8.
 Partridge, Gladys Lenore, Alpha 86.
 Parmley, Belle, Epsilon 45.
 Parrett, Florence M., Kappa 43.
 Patterson, Ethel Lucille, Eta 37.
 Patrick, Elizabeth L., Kappa 23.
 Patton, Eloise, Gamma 64.
 Patton, Margaret, Gamma 65.
 Paulsen, Mabelle, Omicron 13.
 Payne, Pauline, Beta 11.
 Peden, Effie, Beta 53.
 Peterson, Mrs. Verd, Iota 21.
 Pettigrew, Bessie, Theta 21.
 Piper, Mrs. Mead, Beta 7.
 Pinnell, Ada, Beta 35.
 Pingrey, Grace Olive, Alpha 23.
 Pingrey, Jessie, Alpha 25.
 Pittman, Eskridge, Alpha 64.
 Pittman, Berta, Alpha 81.
 Pierce, Mrs. W. E., Delta 1.
 Porch, Edwin, Xi 11.
 Porch, Daisy K., Gamma 62.
 Porch, Fannie, Gamma 63.
 Powell, Mrs. Lawrence, Omicron 10.
 Powell, Ada, Gamma 66.
 Power, Mary A., Beta 2.
 Potts, Elva, Beta 54.

Potts, Jennie E., Theta 47.
 Potts, Marion, Theta 54.
 Potter, Edith, Nu 32.
 Pracy, Edna, Omicron 8.
 Pritts, Emily, Epsilon 10.
 Provoost, Nellie Alice, Alpha 83.
 Prussia, Nellie Iva, Eta 15.
 Putnam, Ida Elaine, Eta 22.

Q

Quick, Mrs. Everett B., Iota 7.

R

Rains, Rosa, Alpha 48.
 Randall, Mrs. Jason, Beta 9.
 Randle, Bess, Beta 58.
 Randle, Lulu, Beta 20.
 Ravn, Agnes, Theta 31.
 Rayne, Marion E., Theta 3.
 Ravn, Signe, Theta 37.
 Reardon, Una Lee, Theta 43.
 Reed, Ethel G., Lambda 25.
 Reeves, Maud, Beta 17.
 Reeves, Mayme M., Gamma 8.
 Retz, Jeanette E., Kappa 33.
 Retz, Louise, L., Kappa 9.
 Retz, Rosalie M., Kappa 9.
 Rhoades, Ellen May, Theta 7.
 Richards, Amy Viola, Lambda 10.
 Richardson, Mrs. Herbert, Lambda 27.
 Richardson, Mabel, Epsilon 1.
 Richardson, Ethel, Epsilon 4.
 Richardson, Bertha K., Epsilon 40.
 Rich, Gertrude, Alpha 75.
 Richey, Frances, Alpha 70.
 Riker, Marie, Gamma 71.
 Riker, Mrs. S. C., Gamma 79.
 Risdon, Ruth, Omicron 16.
 Roberts, Emily, Delta 8.
 Roberts, Nan, Delta 11.
 Roberts, Elsie A., Gamma 67.
 Roberts, Mrs. A. L., Gamma 75.

Robens, Edna, Gamma 68.
 Robens, Ruby, Gamma 69.
 Robinson, Blanche, Gamma 70.
 Rosa, Helen Laura, Eta 47.
 Roth, Anna E., Eta 51.
 Ruckman, Mrs. N. N., Zeta 12.
 Runge, Alma M., Theta 4.
 Runge, Lulu L., Theta 8.
 Rule, Eva, Kappa.
 Rule, Carrie, Kappa 17.
 Ruskamp, Josephine A., Kappa 18.
 Ruth, Una Gertrude, Theta 17.
 Ruth, Genevieve, Gamma 72.
 Ryan, Olive K., Lambda 32.
 Ryan, Winifred M. E., Theta 29.
 Ryan, Marion E., Theta 30.

S

Sadler, Elizabeth J., Iota 5.
 Sale, E. Pearl, Epsilon 36.
 Salmer, Clare, Epsilon 2.
 Salmon, Mary E. Gamma 11.
 Salmon, Etta May, Gamma 12.
 Saltsman, Nellie, Gamma 77.
 Sammons, Mabel A., Alpha 61.
 Sanborn, Grace H., Epsilon 30.
 Sanborn, Ethel, Epsilon 37.
 Sanborne, Frances, Nu 5.
 Sanders, Mrs. Albert, Lambda 36.
 Sauter, Ruth, Marie, Nu 31.
 Saylor, Pearl, Delta 5.
 Schaetzel, Mina, Mu 15.
 Schnur, Grace, Alpha 32.
 Schneider, Marion, Nu 12.
 Schuhardt, Bertha, Zeta 31.
 Schreiber, Alice, Mu 16.
 Schreiner, Mazie, Beta 36.
 Schuster, Edith E., Theta 46.
 Schwarm, Clara, Zeta 14.
 Schwarz, Mary K., Kappa 19.
 Scott, Mary, Xi 15.
 Scott, Muriel, Delta 7.
 Scott, Mary E., Gamma 10.
 Senour, Bessie, Gamma 76.
 Sewall, Sarah B., Epsilon 31.
 Seybold, Lillian, Zeta 20.
 Shannon, Agnes, N., Kappa 10.
 Shartle, Velma, Omicron 10.
 Shaw, Mrs. Frank, Gamma 84.
 Shedd, Louise, Gamma 75.
 Sheldon, Margherita, Epsilon 39.
 Shepard, Bertha Marie, Lambda 57.
 Shiely, Mary E., Mu 17.
 Shiltz, Mrs. O. D., Gamma 68.
 Sibley, Ruth Annie, Lambda 52.
 Simon, Florence A., Theta 33.
 Simmons, Mrs. Charles, Alpha 75.
 Simrall, Anna, Xi 8.
 Singer, Louise, Beta 10.
 Sinville, Florence, Delta 44.
 Skeel, Florence M., Eta 61.
 Slayton, Hazel Irene, Eta 48.
 Sleight, Esther Evelyn, Eta 62.
 Slocum, Deborah, Epsilon 41.
 Small, Bertha, Epsilon 28.
 Smelz, Lillian, Zeta 6.
 Smith, Ada Louise, Lambda 19.
 Smith, Lillian C., Lambda 62.
 Smith, Geneva, Beta 30.
 Smith, Lillian B., Iota 2.
 Smith, Bertha Jane, Iota 6.
 Smith, Helen B., Iota 10.
 Smith, Mrs. C. H., Iota 10.
 Smith, Leola May, Iota 20.
 Smith, Mary A. Nu 7.
 Smith, Effie, Alpha 17.
 Smith, Mrs. Bert, Alpha 31.
 Smith, Mrs. A., Alpha 37.
 Smith, Anna, Delta 26.
 Smith, Jessie, Delta 27.
 Smith, Marjorie, Zeta 11.
 Smith, Edith, Zeta 16.
 Smith, Nellie, Gamma 78.
 Spencer, Mrs. Robt. Beta 45.
 Spencer, F. Grace, Kappa 13.
 Spink, Helen, Mu 18.
 Sprague, Bertha, Delta 12.
 Springer, Edith, Beta 28.
 Spry, Mabel, Beta 14.

Stebbins, Hortense, Alpha 87.
 Steck, Jeanette, Zeta 10.
 Stiles, Abbey, Beta 18.
 Steed, Mrs. Hubert, Delta 10.
 Stephens, Mrs. G. Ware, Beta 4.
 Stephens, Alberta, Beta 28.
 Stevenson, Alice, Delta 39.
 Stewart, Agnes, Omicron 7.
 Stewart, Virginia, Delta 3.
 Stewart, Mildred, Delta 40.
 Stewart, Pearl, Gamma 9.
 Stillwell, Mrs. Elmer W., Epsilon 4
 Stickney, Carrie A., Alpha 13.
 Stimmell, Pearl, Nu 22.
 Stookesberry, Mrs. Karl L., Gamma 46.
 Strawn, Evelyn, Kappa 24.
 Strong, Lewie A., Alpha 10.
 Strong, Marion R., Theta 22.
 Strong, Lucille, Gamma 73.
 Strong, Vivian, Gamma 74.
 Stryker, Bell, Alpha 69.
 Sudhoff, Elizabeth, Zeta 25.
 Sugget, Edna, Omicron 12.
 Swartout, Ella, Zeta 13.
 Sweet, Mrs. Oliver E., Epsilon 5.
 Sweet, Julia M. Epsilon 21.
 Sykes, Kathryn A., Alpha 71.

T

Tarbell, Lilla M., Epsilon 16.
 Tarbell, Helen, Epsilon 24.
 Taylor, Mrs. E. A., Alpha 10.
 Taylor, Edith S., Gamma 13.
 Taylor, Mary, Gamma 79.
 Taylor, Mabel G., Gamma 80.
 Thomas, Mrs., Lambda 24.
 Thomas, Pearl A., Gamma 14.
 Thomson, Cora, Omicron 6.
 Thompson, Katherine Y., Eta 33.
 Thompson, Marjorie, Mu 19.
 Thompson, Alleen L., Alpha 79.
 Thornton, Mary Lucille, Eta 41.
 Thorn, Mary Ester, Alpha 29.

Tobin, Theresa K., Eta 4.
 Tobin, Helen H., Eta 5.
 Tobin, Laura L., Eta 44.
 Touhey, Genevieve, Omicron 21.
 Toy, Mrs. Harvey M., Lambda 47.
 Tribby, Nellie, Beta 16.
 Truair, Helen L., Eta 38.
 Tucker, Elizabeth E., Eta 52.
 Tucker, Elizabeth, Theta 45.
 Tucker, Mildred, Gamma 15.
 Tuttle, Florence R., Lambda 26.

U

Underwood, Bessie C., Theta 9.

V

Vass, Marie, Theta 53.
 Van Cise, Edith Beta 24.
 Van Dervort, Katherine, Omicron 9
 Vail, Leora, Theta 48.
 Van Loon, Clarice, Nu 30.

W

Waddingham, Elsie, Nu 3.
 Wadsworth, Blanche M., Gamma 81
 Wallace, Mrs., Alpha 11.
 Wallace, Nini M., Epsilon 35.
 Wallis, Anna Xi 1.
 Wallis, Elizabeth, Xi 4.
 Wallis, Nell, Xi 7.
 Walker, Ada, Beta 25.
 Walker, Jessie, Alpha 36.
 Wanless, Jane, Xi 10.
 Warne, Edith M., Eta 23.
 Watkins, Hazel L., Lambda 40.
 Watkins, Laura C., Lambda 46.
 Watkins, Mabelle R., Iota 16.
 Watkins, Blanch E., Iota 17.
 Watson, Mrs. Earl, Alpha 36.
 Watson, Mrs. G. W., Delta 5.
 Weaver, Mabel Jane, Iota 9.
 Weatherford Claire, Nu 35.
 Weller, Laura G., Eta 3.

Weller, E. Louise, Eta 13.
Whitaker, Ruth L., Kappa 44.
Whitla, Edith, Gamma 83.
Whitla, Blanche L., Gamma 84.
White, S. Frances, Eta 27.
White, Lucy, Mu 21.
White, Bertha, Alpha 72.
White, Julia E., Delta 2.
Whittemore, Ruth, Theta 18.
!Wildasin, Myrtle, Zeta 3.
Williams, Marion, Epsilon 32.
Williams, Florence, Epsilon 44.
Williams, Julia, Delta 22.
Williams, Flossa, Gamma 85.
Williamson, Bessie B., Alpha 73.
Williman, Madie, Nu 1.
Willetts, Mrs. Ledru, Beta 24.
Willetts, Mrs. Robert, Beta 34.
Willard, Maud H., Kappa 27.
Wilson, Mrs. F., Gamma 70.
Wilson, Mrs. R., Nu 5.
Winn, Mabel, Zeta 2.

!Wise, Lorena, Alpha 68.
Wittich, Catherine, Gamma 82.
Wolfe, Mrs. Channing E., Alpha 25
Wolliston, Eliza, Zeta 34.
Wood, Effie M., Lambda 20.
Woods, Iris L., Kappa 11.
Wright, Gertrude E., Eta 21.
Wright, Hazel, Zeta 15.
Wright, Willard, Zeta 23.
Wrigley, Marion, Alpha 54.

Y

Yaggi, Mrs. Lawrence E., Gamma 6
Yaggi, Mrs. H. K., Gamma 61.
Yale, Louise P., Kappa 12.
Yost, Augusta, Gamma 86.
Young, Avi, Nu 10.

Z

Zang, Mrs. Albert G., Gamma 8.
Zuell, Mrs. L., Alpha 51.



Chapter Letters.



ALPHA.

Dear Girls:

August finds us far apart and longing to see some of the girls. That temptation was too much for the corresponding secretary and July found her back in Galesburg where she visited Sisters Bessie Williamson and Frances Richey. From there she went to Stackton to see the little son of Gertrude Rich Simmons. Before returning home she intends to visit Leila Bailey and Hortense Stebbins in Stoughton, Wis., Nellie Provoost and Gladys Partridge in Pecatonica, Amy Cole in Williamsfield and Phyllis Jones in Galesburg. Can anyone imagine a more delightful trip?

We were charmingly entertained, May 27, at a five course dinner at the home of one of our pledges, Miss Phyllis Jones.

Mrs. Dr. Fisher entertained for the chapter and our grand president, Mrs. Leib, at a reception May 26.

The Alpha Xi Delta Annual reception and dance of Alpha chapter took place at the Gymnasium. It was in the nature of a Pan-Hellenic and all Lombard Greeks were invited. The hall was decorated with butterflies of every size and color. A huge pink rose and eight bright hued butterflies on the white ceiling furnished the lighting. The evening was spent in dancing and unique favors were given. The refreshments were ice cream and cake. The ice cream was molded in the form of a pink rose and rose petals and a spray of smilax added to its natural appearance.

We were quite proud of our only senior, Nellie Alice Provoost, when she gave her graduating recital in the college chapel, May 12th. Miss Provoost has a rich mezzo-soprano voice and gave a delightful program.

The graduating exercises of the Senior Class were held Wednesday morning, June 2, in the college chapel. The address was delivered by Rev. John Clarence Lee, D. D., of Philadelphia.

Mabel Hendel.

BETA.

Dear Sisters:

School is out, vacation an old story and we are all looking forward to September and school again. "Thus the round completes itself."

We of Beta are especially anxious for Fall and all it will mean to us, for this year we are to have a couple of chapter rooms. Great things have been planned, and our anticipations are many and varied. During the rushing season which, by the way, promises to be very strenuous, we expect to give several informal chafing dish parties inviting just a few girls at a time, as we believe that personal acquaintance will accomplish more than studied effect. The rooms are in the home of an Alpha mother, her daughter having been one of the charter members of our chapter, and she has been so kind as to promise us her parlors for more formal functions. Our alumnae have given us silver, linen and dishes, all bearing the Alpha Xi Delta monogram, and we expect to have everything cozy and "homey" by the time the lonesome "rushettes" arrive.

We were well represented in the exercises at Commencement this year. Mabel Duncan and Lucille Brady as Celia and Audrey, respectively, won much favorable comment in the Senior Class Day. Amy Cheney was chosen to represent the seniors in the cap and gown ceremony, and Ethel Mills-paugh lead the weaving of the college colors on Campus Day.

The usual round of social events was begun by a "Conversational Ball" given by our patronesses at the home of Senator Seeley. The whole house and wide veranda was decorated with flowers, the rose being particularly prominent. The programs were in the double blue and gold. The color scheme was carried out in the refreshments, also. It was the first time the chapter had been formally presented to Miss McClure our new patroness, and she quite charmed us all. Everyone had the delightful time which such hostesses insure.

On the last Saturday in May the active chapter, Ellen Ball, and Mabel Day went overland to the Lauer country house to spent the week end. Pearl Matthews of Winfield and the three Lauer sisters increased our number to twenty-two and such a houseful as we were! Theatricals, Ghost stories, dancing and pranks, to say nothing of auto and horse-back riding, made the time pass all too quickly. We returned Monday afternoon tired but happy, and voting our hostesses to be ideal entertainers.

On the evening of June 11, the Senior girls were entertained by the rest of the chapter at Ellen Ball's home. We all tried to keep away thoughts of next year without our six "big sisters," but I'm not at all certain that there weren't wet lashes, even tho we announced to the surrounding neighbors that "We were the Alpha Xi Delta girls" with right good will and lungs.

The next afternoon Ellen Ball and Mabel Day received in honor of our graduates. Many of our alumnae were present and the time was all too short

for the advice and encouragement they gave us for next year, and their anecdotes of past rushing seasons and "frat frays."

Monday, the fourteenth, we entertained our alumnae and patroness at Florence Stephen's home. Those present of our alumnae were Nell Downer-Minear, Axie Lute-Mitchell, Laura Clark-Morganson, Louise Hinsey-Johnson, Mildred Brady-Mershon, Edith VanCise-Willits, Nellie Tribby Willits, Mrs. Gillis, Ina Duncan, Helen Coe, Luella Hightshoe, Alice Babb, Lulu Randle, Ellen Ball and Mabel Day. Ruth Anderson, who will return to school next year; Effie Peden and Pearl Matthews were present. Eulalia Dunn and Mabel Pittenger, both pledges, were with us for commencement also. The afternoon was spent in singing, planning for "next year" and a general reunion and reacquaintance with our graduated sisters.

Tuesday Mrs. Applegate gave a dinner and I need not say that it was delightful, since she is an ideal hostess.

As to our Seniors—Amy Cheney, Mabel Duncan and Louise Brady will teach next year. May Johnson will take post graduate work in the conservatory, Alice Babb and Alice Cheney are undecided as to what they will direct their energies, and Lucille Brady will take a course in Domestic Science.

Elva Potts will go to convention since Florence Coolidge cannot be in school until the second semester.

And now, good times for the remainder of vacation, and good luck for next year.

Yours in the bonds,

Florence Lathrop Coolidge.

GAMMA.

Dear Sisters:

Once more a school year has ended and we are compelled to part for a time at least. Another commencement is past and with it have gone three of Gamma's girls: Ethel Montgomery, Mabel Heckler and Olive Bracher.

Commencement at Mount Union was most interesting and enthusiastic this year, Dr. McMaster being inaugurated as president of the College, on the afternoon of Class Day.

In the Class Day exercises, Ethel Montgomery gave the Greek Oration, Mable Heckler the German, and Olive Bracher the English Classical. Ethel Montgomery was president of the Senior Class and took the Bishop Neely prize for scholarship.

On Tuesday of Commencement week, we had our annual reunion at the home of one of our patronesses, Mrs. Arthur Wright, on South Union Ave. At one o'clock the girls, fifty-three in all, with our patronesses and pledges, went to the church, where a five course dinner was served. After dinner the following toast programme was given:

TOASTS.

"Saw you not even now a blessed troop
 Invite me to a banquet, whose bright faces
 Cast a thousand beams upon me like the sun?
 They promised me eternal happiness
 And pray and sing and tell old tales and laugh.

TOASTMISTRESS, - - MARY EMILY KAY, '04

THE INITIATION, - - JESSIE GARMAN, '12

"Alpha has a nanny goat, nanny goat, nanny goat,
 Alpha has a nanny goat, and she feeds it well."

"THE AFTERWHILES," - - MRS. H. R. PIERCE

"Where are they—the afterwhiles
 That lure us the lengthening miles of our lives?"

THE HAS-BEENS, - - MILDRED L. TUCKER, '05

"Freshman, pause as you pass by,
 As you are now, so once was I,
 As I am now, soon you must be."

OUR FRIENDS—THE ENEMY, KATHARINE E. KEITH, ex, '05

"Who, ne'er so tame, so cherished, so locked up
 But have a wild trick of their ancestor."

THE ANNALS OF '08-'09, - NELLIE HAWKINS, '10

"Listen my children, and you shall hear——."

ONCE UPON A TIME," GRACE MILLER-BARNARD, ex. '97

"Sweet memory wafted by the gentle gale!
 Oft up the stream I turn my sail
 To view the gentle haunts of long lost hours,
 Blest with far greener shades, far lovelier flowers."

RUSHING, - - LUCILLE STRONG, '08

"Never fear me; I am as vigilant as a cat to steal cream."

"THE HONEYMOON TRAIL."

Eloise Patton McKnight then announced the approaching marriage of Mary Bracher to Mr. Harvey R. Snyder; Mary Taylor to Mr. Clark Riker; and Zerna Kingsburg to Mr. William Spring.

Mary Taylor and Mr. Riker will be married on Thursday July 1st, and after visiting a short time with relatives, will sail for Europe, Mr. Riker having secured a scholarship from Drew Theological Seminary for a year's study abroad.

Gamma's outlook for next year is very promising. Nita Hessin, Hazel Needham and Lillian Moore graduated from the normal course, but we hope to have at least two of them back next year with the others.

We wish for all of our sisters a most happy vacation, and trust that the opening of school in the fall will find us more than ever ready for the work which we know will be awaiting us.

K. Olive Bracher.

DELTA.

Dear Sisters in Alpha Xi Delta:

September will soon be here and with it comes the close of the summer vacation and the beginning of a new year for college girls. How much this new year will hold for us if we grasp the many opportunities which will offer themselves. Last year was a happy and successful year for Delta chapter but we hope to make the year '09 and '10 much better.

Commencement week was one of sadness in many ways on account of the breaking up of ties, although we are proud to say that seven of our girls completed the college course.

Our dear mother, Mrs. Blair Miller left us this year, after being our mother for five years. We shall miss her sympathy, love and kindness far more than we can ever say.

We have as our patronesses for the coming years, Mrs. F. T. McEvoy and Mrs. Lewis and we feel sure these women will be everything to us we could wish.

Our commencement banquet was a success in every way. Many of the old girls were back and the whole occasion was a joyous one.

The fall of 1909 will find thirteen of the Delta girls back in their places. On account of the recent organization of a Pan-Hellenic here our rushing season will take on a different aspect. We are glad to have a Pan-Hellenic and hope it will be advantageous to the sororities.

May all sister chapters have a prosperous and happy year is the wish of the Delta girls.

Fraternally,

Jessie A. Smith.

 EPSILON.

Dear Sisters:

Lilla Tarbell, Helen Tarbell, Mrs. Josephine Hanson Hedeon, Mrs. Nina Wallace Jasmann, Margaret Miller and Mabel F. Greene, visited Epsilon during commencement week. Baccalaureate Sunday, June Sixth, the Alphas, twenty-seven in all, dined together. Tuesday morning a veranda breakfast was enjoyed at the home of our patroness, Mrs. Grange. Mesdames Akeley, Sweet, McDaniel and Miss Heloise Sterling were also present.

Lucille Camerer, Helen Frazee, Lois Nichols and Mabelle Eastman were graduated in June.

Helen Frazee is spending the summer at her home in Seattle. She will return in the fall, having accepted a position in the U. S. D. College of Music.

Alice Brenne, Georgia Hanson, Mabelle Eastman, and Clara Salmer will spend the summer on the Pacific coast, incidentally visiting the A-Y-P exposition.

Several of the Epsilon girls will have an A. X. D. camp at Lake Kamp-

eska this summer.

Our patroness, Mrs. McDaniel will spend several months at her former home in Boston.

Julia May Sweet, Epsilon.

ZETA.

Dear Sisters:

Zeta had seventeen girls in the active chapter at the close of the school term,—more than ever before,—but three of these graduated, so we will have only fourteen when we open next year.

On April 23rd we held our annual "Founder's Day Banquet" at the hotel. It was impossible to hold it on the 17th. Our patronesses were all invited. Before we went to the hotel we initiated Eliza Woliston, 1911, giving her only the first degree. The place cards for the banquet were made by the girls. The Alpha rose in water colors was painted on the outside. The color scheme was pink and green and Alpha roses were abundant.

There was a great deal going on at commencement time, of course. The Alpha girls were all entertained at Martha Lowry's by a picnic along a little stream near her pretty country home. We were taken back to our younger days when we used to go in wading and of course it was great fun for the rocks were slippery. It was a novel way to entertain.

Mrs. Chas. Harris, one of our patronesses entertained us with an informal reception one afternoon just before commencement.

Our Y. W. C. A. gave a May Morning Breakfast. We cleared more money this year than ever before—about \$26.00. This is to help send delegates to the convention at Mountain Lake Park. Our chapter President and also President of the Y. W. C. A., for 1909-1910, Helen Dornblaser, was sent as one of the delegates. Two other Alpha girls were elected delegates and expected to go but found out that they couldn't, one on account of illness.

I think all the Alpha girls will return next fall and are even now planning to get back altho they are having pleasant vacations, as I hope you all are.

Gertrude L. Keller.

ETA.

Dear Sisters:

The long looked for vacation is here at last and how good the rest seems. The closing days here at Syracuse were especially busy ones too, for us all. The commencement exercises were held in the new boy's gymnasium and for the first time in several years there was room for all who wished to attend. The large hall at the top of the building is the regular floor for gymnasium work but all the apparatus can be drawn up out of the way and the floor covered with seats. A wide gallery extends around the

entire hall. On Sunday morning, June the sixth, the Baccalaureate sermon was delivered by Bishop Wilson, who gave an exceptionally good address.

On Monday afternoon came the Class Day exercises. The audience could only now and then catch a word of the speeches because of the Juniors, who sat together in the gallery and yelled, cheered, made remarks, clapped and the like, trying to confuse the speakers. Two or three times they succeeded, much to their delight.

Tuesday was Alumni Day with Alumni meetings and banquet.

Wednesday morning brought the Commencement exercises, ending with the giving of the sheepskins. Four hundred and sixty-one graduated and they made an imposing sight as they marched in cap and gown from the Administration building to the Gymnasium. The address was given by President George Edwin Mac Lean, L. L. D., of the State University of Iowa. His oration was fine with many interesting touches of humour. The diplomas were presented by Chancellor Day. Wednesday evening the Chancellor's Levee was held for the graduate students. It was largely attended and enjoyed.

On Monday and Tuesday evenings Soirees were given by the musical graduates of the college of Fine Arts. These concerts make one of the most enjoyable features of the college year.

Eight Seniors left us this June and what a hole they have made in our numbers. We shall miss them so much next year. Katherine Thompson won a cum laude and Hazel Brush was made a marshal. We are proud of them both.

Eta wishes that each one of you may have a happy, restful summer and so be ready for work again in the fall.

Helen Truair.

THETA.

Dear Alpha Xi Deltas:

Theta announces the marriage of Iva Allen, '05 to Mr. Joseph Baker of Milwaukee.

Charlotte Stough's engagement to Mr. Roscoe Young of Wausaw, Wis., has been announced, the marriage to take place in the autumn.

Theta entertained her patronesses and alumnae at a banquet to celebrate Founder's Day.

Polly Fenton, '06, who graduated from the Wisconsin Library School in June, has accepted a position in the Cincinnati Public Library.

Ida Fenton, '09 has accepted a position in Duluth.

The underclassmen entertained the seniors at a banquet, June 18th.

Lulu Runge, '05, who received her master's degree this June, will teach at Nebraska University the coming year.

Charlotte Gardner, '09 will teach English in the Middleton high school and Nanna Hough, '09 will teach English in the Hartford High school.

Edith Schuster, '11 and Georgia Chave, '07 are spending the summer in California.

Elizabeth Erb, '07 is taking summer school work at the University.

About 20 of the girls camped on Lake Monona for a week after the University closed.

Ida Fenton has the honor of being the only girl who has ever graduated from the commercial department of any University.

Frances C. Albers.

IOTA.

Iota held its eighth initiation June 2 at the sorority room. Edith Scott Smith, '12 of Morgantown was introduced to our mysteries and at a late hour a buffet luncheon was served.

At the beginning of the Spring term the chapter entertained a few of the new girls at the home of Mrs. Leonard on University Driveway.

On May 10 an informal tea was given in the sorority room in honor of Miss Hattie Lynne of Charleston, W. Va., who was visiting Lillian Smith.

The chapter held its annual banquet on June 15 at the Weiland. Mary Frances Chadwick presided gracefully as toast-mistress of the occasion.

Mrs. A. W. Chez Directress of the gymnasium presented a May-pole dance on the campus this spring. More than a thousand spectators were present and the girls in their dainty white dresses made a pretty picture in their drills and dances about the may-pole. Crystal Courtney, '09 led the line of march.

The Woman's League held its annual May party on the campus, May 15. At sunset a bountiful dinner was served to several hundred girls as they sat on the grassy terraces over looking the Monongahela.

Since the baseball season opened the athletic field is the center of attraction and several games of unusual interest have been played.

The University has just held its Forty-second commencement. Hugh Black, the Scotch theologian delivered the Baccalaureate sermon and Wash-ton Gladden of Columbus, Ohio, the commencement address. A class of ninety-eight received degrees or diplomas.

The annual lecture before the English Club was delivered on May 18 by Dr. Robert Allen Armstrong of the English Department of the University. Mary Meek Atkeson, head of the English Club, introduced the speaker.

Mary Meek Atkeson.

KAPPA.

Dear Sisters:

The school year ended in a chorus of congratulations and fare-wells. Several of Kappa's members received diplomas. Katherine Blake, Mary

Bickel, Mable Bredehoef, Lucile Kays and Myrtle Cooker took A. B. degrees, and Inez English and Grace Spencer received M. A's. Rosalie Retz also returned for her degree.

Gertrude Edbrook and Edenia Hunt spent the first two weeks of June with us and Agnes Shannon and Winifred Campbell and Rosalie Retz were with us for commencement.

We have been extremely fortunate in having so many of our alumnae members with us throughout the year as it is always an encouragement to the active girls.

Wishing all Alpha Xi Delta girls a pleasant vacation I bid them a fond fare-well and resign in favor of Louise Jenner, who will be Kappa's correspondent next year.

Yours in the bond,

Grace Spencer.

LAMBDA.

Dear Sisters:

Greetings to all the chapters from Lambda.

This year we celebrate Founder's Day together with the alumnae, at the home of Fannie Clement, in Everett. The entertainment consisted of a picture puzzle party. Each of the active girls gave a birthday present to Lambda, the gifts being for use or ornament of our "frat-rooms."

On the last day of April, we entertained a few prospective freshmen at the home of Bertha Shepard, '11, in Everett.

We held our big dance this year on the fourteenth of May, in Goddard Gymnasium. The hall was decorated in a unique nanner. The effect was rustic, trellises intertwined with pinks, roses being hung at intervals over a green background. The cozy corner was surrounded by a garden wall, and a hedge of ramblers.

On the afternoon of May the twentieth, we were entertained at the home of Katherine Cragin, in Bedford.

It is a custom to entertain our departing seniors, each year in some manner. This year, after enjoying a lunch in town, we went to the matinee, and saw May Robson in the "Rejuvenation of Aunt Mary."

On the second of May came Junior Prom Day, a new custom instituted at Tuft's this year. In the play, which was given that evening, Marie Wood, '10 took part.

On June 3rd, we were entertained at the home of Audrey L. Duffey, and on the sixth, at the home of Ethel Aiken, '09.

This year's commencement has robbed us of three members, Ethel M. Aiken, Annie R. McCoy, and Myrtle M. Killpartrick.

Next year, the Pan-Hellenic has agreed to put the date of pledge day forward to Mid Year's, and there will be no rushing.

As usual, we spent the two weeks following class-day most enjoyably, camping out, at We-need-a-rest Cottage, Rockport.

When we return in the fall, we look forward to holding our meetings in new and better apartments.

With best wishes to all,

Faternally yours,

Elsie May Chandler.

MU.

Dear Alpha Xi Delta Sisters:

As a result of her late spring rushing Mu is very happy to introduce to you her five new and enthusiastic sisters, Ruth Leslie, Vera Laughlin, Hazel Hibbard, Mary Edwards, and Lucille De Marais. Although Ruth is a senior, this is her first year at Minnesota and according to Pan-Hellenic rules here she must be treated as a freshman, so her stay with us as an active member was short but we hope to have her next year as a post graduate.

The last few weeks of school were very busy and pleasant ones for the Alpha Xi Deltas. On the twenty-second of May, the nearest Saturday to the twenty-fifth, we celebrate our second anniversary of our installation with a dinner dance at White Bear. Helen Spink and her parents very kindly invited us to their beautiful home and eighteen couple arrived by train a little before three and after depositing their suit cases, enjoyed a most delightful afternoon in the woods and on the lake until time to dress for dinner which was served on the spacious screened porch at six-thirty. Alpha roses and pink candles furnished beautiful decorations and the pink rose idea was carried out in the dainty place cards. The dance in the evening was in a neighboring hall and the programs were little blue leather booklets embossed in gold with our monogram. At eleven-thirty a chartered steamer carried us across the lake to Wildwood, from where the electric cars took us to the twin cities—a tired but happy group.

Commencement week brought many pleasures mingled with sadness at the thought of losing five loyal sisters. The class play was a great success and we especially enjoyed it because our seniors filled their places with great credit to themselves and to the sorority. Alice Schriber made an admirable squaw with a little papoose upon her back. Clara Beck was a winter sprite. Helen Spink had a part in the Junior Ball specialty and Ruth Leslie had the solo part of the Mermaid specialty.

For the first time in the history of the University of Minnesota a woman, our beloved Professor Maria Sanford, gave the commencement address which was most inspiring. It is her last year with us as she is seventy-three and the Regents this year set sixty-five as the age limit for professors. Her many friends were very happy that she should have so appropriate a closing for her many years of faithful service. Instead of clapping when she rose to speak the entire audience of several thousand rose in a body and waved their handkerchiefs which was much more impressive.

Mu chapter was very proud that day to have Laura Benz receive her Master's degree and to have Alice Schriber graduating with distinction in

history and winning the Memorial Prize of the Class of '89. With this commencement all but one of our charter members have gone.

Our final gait was a most delightful auto trip through the Twin Cities and Fort Snelling which Laura Benz gave us, winding up at her home in St. Paul, where supper was served and a short time spent singing the Alpha Xi Delta songs. Then the auto loaded again with its cargo of twenty happy girls, each carrying an American Beauty rose, Laura's gifts, and took us back to our several homes.

We have not however spent all our time in gayeties. We have made many plans for the coming fall the most important of which is that for our new home. September will find us in a neat little flat where our out-of-town girls may live. This is quite an undertaking for a Minnesota chapter for most of the sororities here merely rent chapter rooms, but we have laid out our plans courageously and feel competent it will prove a success and are looking forward to it with very pleasant anticipation.

With the best wishes to all the Alpha Xi Delta that the summer may be a happy and restful one.

Georgia Belle Elwell.

NU.

Dear Alpha Xi Delta Sisters:

Vacation is here with all that it means to the weary mind of the student and Nu wishes all her sisters a very happy vacation. Several of our Eastern Sisters have already come to Seattle to visit the A. Y. P. Exposition and we have had the pleasure of meeting them and helping to make their visit enjoyable. Among those are Helen Frazee from South Dakota, Edith Schuster from Wisconsin and Lelia McDermott from Minnesota. We have enjoyed their acquaintance so much that we hope many more eastern Alphas will pay us a visit during the summer.

On April seventeenth Nu held its annual banquet in honor of Founders' Day at the Butler Annex. The banquet room was decorated with pennants and Alpha Xi Delta colors; a large bowl of the Alpha roses graced the centre of the long table. Besides the active chapter the sorority patronesses, the house chaperon and several of the Alumnae were present; among the latter were Marion Wrigley, Elsie Waddingham, Aileen Daniels, Pearl Stimmel, Mabel Spry and Olive Mueller from Seattle; Pearl Gilkey from Linden, Wash. Marion Schneider from Portland, Ore., and Lillian Esary from La Conner. The banquet was followed by an excellent toast programme, which read as follows:

Toast Mistress, Lillian Esary.

"Welcome,"	-	-	-	-	-	Dorthy Mason
"Founder's Day,"	-	-	-	-	-	Florence Luckse
"The Ideal Sorority Girl,"	-	-	-	-	-	Pearl Stimmel
"The Patronesses and A. X. D.,"	-	-	-	-	-	Mrs. F. W. Meis nest
"Our Alma Mater,"	-	-	-	-	-	Zelda Conner

"History of Nu Chapter," - - - Dorothy Drake
 "Prophecy," - - - Edith Potter

On the morning of May 30th an initiation ceremony was held for our two new girls, Vetabel Phillips and Zelda Conner. Nu feels that she cannot be congratulated, enough, on her success in winning these two strong loyal members for dear old Alpha. After the initiation a banquet was given in honor of the four Seniors, Adelaide Fisher, Mary Smith, Alice Murchison and Lela Parker, who on the following day bade farewell to the college halls and entered upon the field of life. The banquet was pronounced the most enjoyable function of the year, and was a fitting close for a happy, prosperous year for Alpha Xi Delta at Washington.

A large crowd of the girls went up to La Conner to the wedding of Lillian Esary and T. M. Askren on June 16th.

On June 30th the girls gave a picnic at Faemtleroy Park, a lovely little park on the beach. A large number of the girls were in the city at the time and spent a very pleasant day.

The Alaska Yukon Pacific Exposition is excellent and is drawing a large crowd—the attendance has averaged 23,000 daily.

Wishing you all a happy and restful summer.

Lela Parker.

Dear Sisters in Alpha Xi Delta:

The longed for vacation has come at last and it was with mingled feelings of grief and happiness that our girls parted for the summer—happiness caused by the thoughts of a few quiet, irresponsible weeks at home and grief caused by the fact that some of this years girls will not be in school next year.

Our commencement exercises were exceptionally elaborate and impressive, this year. They were held, as is the custom, in a large tent on the campus. Many noted speakers and friends of the University from this and other states were present to lend dignity to the occasion. Dr. Smith of Tulane was the speaker of the day. Commencement week is always the gayest week of all the school year. This year there was a perfect round of dances and parties. The only strictly Alpha party was a dinner given to the active chapter by Lida Jones at her home on Madison Place. Eleven Alpha Xi Delta girls were present and we greatly enjoyed reminiscences of the year just ended and expression of hopes and plans for the coming school year. In the evening about fifteen of our best friends among the college men were invited in and we had a jolly time participating in games and contests.

Xi entertained in honor of Founder's Day with an elegant banquet at Hughes & Company, to which our patronesses were invited. The table was beautifully decorated in the fraternity flowers and colors. A large bunch of pink roses formed the centerpiece. In silver candlesticks and candelabra were pink candles shaded in pink rose shades. The confections were also in pink roses and the place cards were embossed in gold and tied with the tri-

colored ribbons. An elaborate menu was served and as the evening progressed there were bright toasts. Miss Nell Wallis presided as toastmistress. The responses were as follows:

"Alpha Xi Delta Spirit,"	-	-	Miss Anne Simvall.
"First Impressions"	-	-	Miss Edwin Porch
"Founders Day"	-	-	Miss Iva Belle Boreing
"Alphas Goat"	-	-	Miss Elizabeth Wallis

The members of Xi were shaken and grieved to hear of the sudden death of Lillian Ferguson's father. We all extend to her our deepest sympathy in this her hour of bereavement.

Fraternally,

Lida Jones.

OMICRON.

To the Chapters of Alpha Xi Delta:

I sent greetings in the name of Omicron to all the new sisters in A. X. D. We feel that you have particularly honored us in taking us into so close a relationship. As the years strengthen us in this bond we will doubtless come more and more to realize what this new sisterhood means to us. At the present we can only say that your welcome to us has been all that we could have hoped for, and it will be our constant care to protect and uphold the ideals which you have entrusted to us. We hope, with right endeavor, to build up a chapter which will realize every expectation and justify the trust which you have placed in us.

Yours in A. X. D.,

Edna Higgins.

BOSTON ALUMNAE.

Dear Sisters:

May every breath of summer whether it blow from the sunny Pacific, the crest of the Rockies, the broad prairie, the sparkling lakes on the breezy Atlantic, carry a message of loyalty and love to every Alpha Xi Delta girl.

The last meeting of the Boston Alumnae was held at the home of our patroness, Mrs. McCoy, Agnes and Florence McCoy acting as hostesses. After the business session we enjoyed a very attractive luncheon served on the lawn. The meeting was given up to a great extent, to discussion of convention matters. The delegates chosen were Grace Carleton-Mansfield, '99, and Fannie May Clement, '06. Many of the girls are planning to take the trip to Syracuse, and all are anticipating great pleasure in meeting Alpha sisters from the South and West.

Many of the girls will be at Rockport over the "Fourth". We all grow enthusiastic when we recall the thoroughly merry times we have had at our annual house parties. There is no place where our feeling of sisterhood has fuller, sweeter development than in our little cottage by the sea.

Amy V. Richards.

Engagements.

Theta.

The engagement of Charlotte Stough to Mr. Roscoe Young, of Wausaw, Wis., is announced.

Kappa.

The engagement of Katherine Blake, A. B. '09 to C. H. Harkins of Liston, Phi Gamma Delta, Illinois, Wesleyan University, is announced.

The engagement of Katherine Blake, A. B. '09 to C. H. Harkins of Grandin, North Dakota is announced.

Lambda.

The engagement of Catherine Craigin, ex. '10 to Mr. Louis Pierce is announced.

Nu.

Nu announces the engagement of Hazel Giesseman, '11 to Mr. Frank B. Timberlake, Sigma Chi, of Lafayette, Indiana, the wedding to take place in August.

The engagement of Olive Mueller to Mr. George Aembo is announced.

Marriages.

Eta.

The wedding of Margaret Hoard, '08 to Byron G. Garrett took place on June 9, 1909 at the home of the bride, East Syracuse, New York.

Theta

The marriage of Iva Allen, '05 to Mr. Joseph Baker of Milwaukee has taken place.

Nu.

On June 16th Lillian Esary was married to Mr. T. M. Askren at her home in La Conner, Wash.

Omicron.

The marriage of Velma Augusta Sharth to Harry Lawrence Powell, Jr., U. C., '08, took place May 18, 1909.

Births.

Alpha.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Simmons (Gertrude Rich) of Stockton, Ill., a son, Donald Rich, May 15, 1909.

Iota.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Harrison Smith (Helen Smith) a daughter, Helen Virginia, May, 1909.

Lambda.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Albert S. Saunders (Mertie Crowell, '04) a daughter Virginia, on February, 1909.

Eta.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. S. R. McKean (Martha Hutchings '07) a son, Arthur Hutchings on July 17, 1909.

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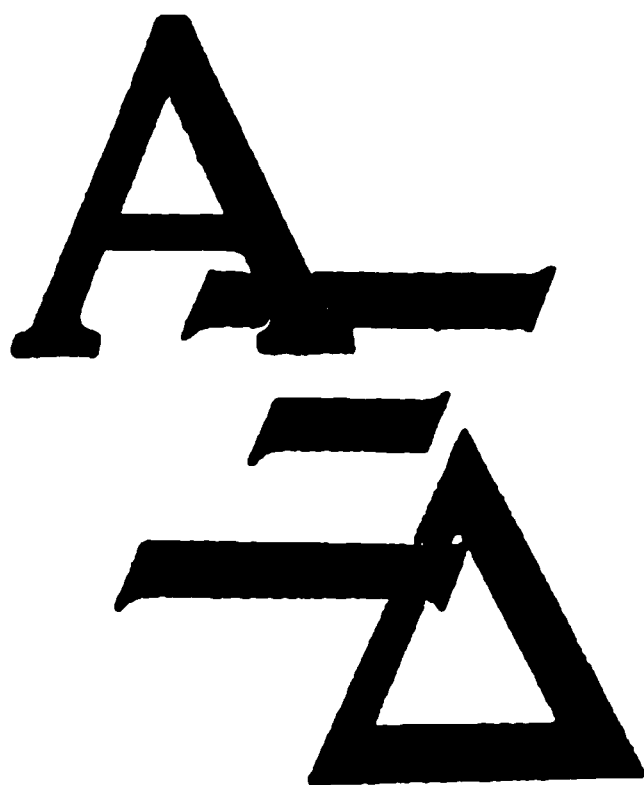


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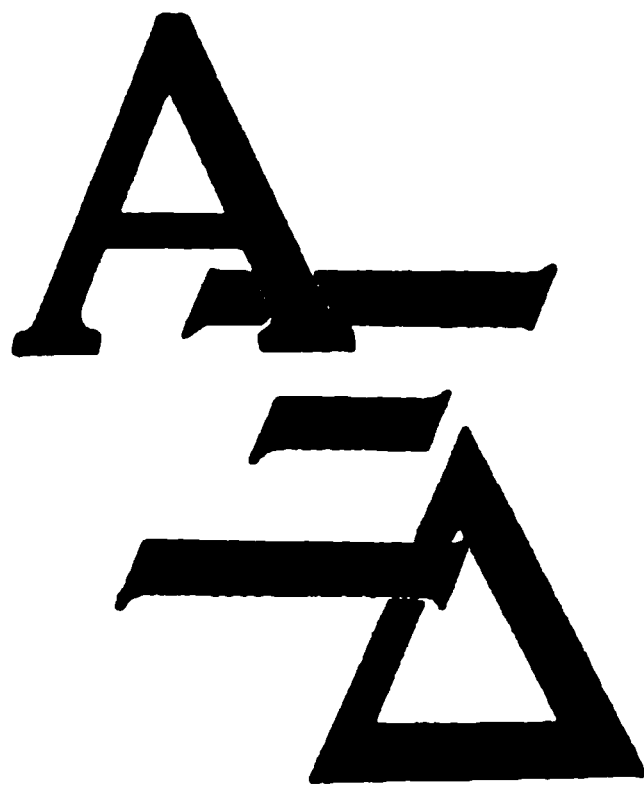
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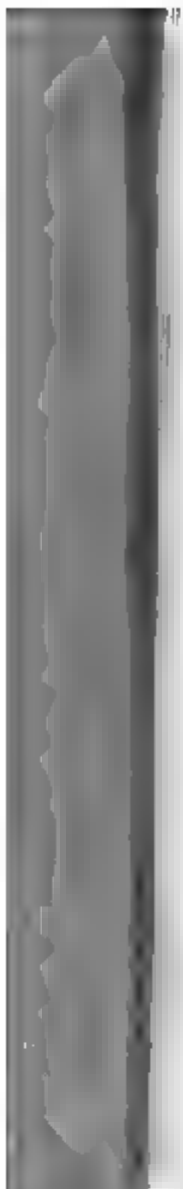
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